

# Baylor LL.D. Set For President

WACO, Tex. (BP)—President Lyndon B. Johnson has tentatively accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address and to receive an honorary Doctor of Laws Degree at Baylor University here.

The Baptist school's board of trustees issued a formal invitation to the president to speak at the commencement, slated at 9:30 a. m., on May 28. The trustees also voted unanimously to present the President with an honorary doctorate.

The White House issued President Johnson's tentative acceptance, and said a final announcement would be made within 48 hours of the commencement.

President's Johnson's great grandfather, George Washington Baines, was the third president of Baylor, serving from 1861 to 1863 at a crucial period during the civil war.



Rev. Bill Latham

## Training Union Associate Named

Rev. James William (Bill) Latham has been elected as associate in the state Training Union Department, announces Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Mr. Latham's responsibilities will be in the area of adult work and church administration. He will begin his new work on June 11, according to Kermit King, director, Training Union Department.

Mr. Latham will replace Rev. James Harrell who resigned several months ago to reenter the pastorate.

A native of Greenville, he is a graduate of Greenville High School and Mississippi College. On May 28, he will receive the B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary.

During the past two years he has served as pastor of the Forkland Church near Greenville, commuting to New Orleans.

While a student at Mississippi College, Mr. Latham served as pastor of the Philipston Church. Later he was education director at First Church, Winona, and at Emmanuel Church, Hattiesburg, and associate pastor at First Church, Greenville.

Mrs. Latham is the former Jean Matthews of Vicksburg, who attended Mississippi College two years and was graduated from William Carey College. The Lathams have two sons, John, five, and Jim, seven.

## Wichita Church Plans Full SBC Affiliation

WICHITA, Kans. (BP)—Metropolitan Baptist Church, entering its new 15-story tower in downtown Wichita, has voted to affiliate at all levels with the Southern Baptist Convention, its pastor reported.

The Metropolitan Church has 2000 members and an annual budget of nearly \$400,000, according to W. E. Thorn, who succeeded his father as pastor of the church.

In 1960, the members of Wichita's First Baptist Church voted 1145 to 294 to withdraw from local and national ties with the American Baptist Convention, Thorn said. It was in protest of the American Convention's affiliation with the SBC.

Baines, a prominent Baptist minister, was also editor of "The Texas Baptist," the state's first Baptist publication, and was once pastor of the historic Independence Baptist Church in Independence, Tex., where Baylor was founded in 1845.

President Johnson's mother, Rebekah Baines, attended both Baylor University and Mary Hardin-Baylor College in nearby Belton, Tex., a Baptist school for women founded as part of the Baylor system in 1845.

Plans for inviting the President to Baylor's commencement have been in the making for several weeks, but the plans were not publically announced until the White House released the President's tentative acceptance.

President Johnson, if he is able to do so, will become the third United States president to get an honorary degree from Baylor.

Baylor has also awarded doctorates to Presidents Harry S. Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower.

## HMB Not Informed On Cuba Ransom Try

ATLANTA (BP)—The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board reports no previous knowledge of the efforts of a Florida Baptist pastor who contacted Castro for a ransom price for the release of missionaries Herbert Caudill and David Fite.

Auburn Hayes of Orlando wired Fidel Castro on May 20, and since then he has reported phone calls from Mexico indicating the Cuban government might impose a fine instead of the prison terms asked during the trial May 14.

At the trial the government asked prison terms of 10 years for Caudill and 18 years for Fite. Caudill's term was first 30 years, but a Cuban law does not allow longer terms than 10 years for persons over 60 years of age.

Lloyd Corder of Atlanta, director of work in Cuba for the home mission board, said Hayes' actions were taken at the pastor's initiative, without prior knowledge or consent of anyone at the mission agency.

Hayes, director of the world wide prayer fellowship, is

### FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

# Missionary Force Passes 2000

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has more than 2000 overseas missionary personnel under appointment. At its meeting in Richmond, Va., May 10-12, appointed 22 missionaries; reappointed another; designated 49 young people as missionary journeymen, contingent upon completion of an eight-week training program; voted a medical relief program, through which experienced physicians and dentists may give up to one year of continuous service on the mission field; authorized a plan

for regional personnel representatives; voted to station a missionary couple in South-West Africa; heard progress reports on the current nationwide evangelistic crusade in Brazil and results of recent campaigns in Thailand and Malaysia; and voted to participate in a Latin-American evangelistic campaign to be held in the next four or five years.

Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, of Jacksonville, Fla., president of the Board, reported on a recent tour of mission work in Latin America. He participated in the launching of the evangelistic crusade in Brazil, where he says the next great spiritual awakening may take place.

The new missionaries and journeymen bring the Board's overseas staff to 2,002. "The 2,000 barrier has been broken and the drive toward 5,000 is underway," commented Dr. Jesse C. Fletcher, secretary for missionary personnel.

### Vietnam Report

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, reported on a visit to disturbed areas of the Orient and on evangelistic crusades in Malaysia and Thailand in which he participated.

Dr. Cauthen and Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, met for two days with the 16 Southern Baptist missionaries in Vietnam and with them surveyed the situation they confront. "Earlier they had been told they would have the full support of the Board at any time if they should feel it necessary to leave the country," Dr. Cauthen explained.

The missionaries responded by asking the mission secretaries to tell Southern Baptists to send more missionaries so that plans for advancement in Vietnam might go forward. "Missionaries in Vietnam are writing a record of calmness, stability, and faith (Continued on Page 2)



OPEN AIR MEETING in the city of Sao Paulo, Brazil, during week of revival meetings which was part of the nationwide Baptist simultaneous campaign now under way in the country. (Photo by W. W. Enete)

## HMB Expands Ministry

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has this month appointed its 2,458th missionary, instigated a study of needs for a ministry to the ex-prisoner; and named the eleventh state director of National (Negro) Baptist work.

ATLANTA (BP)—The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board appointed here on May 13, 1965, four missionaries to various ministries across the United States bringing the total under appointment to 2,458. Most of the missionaries work in cooperation with state mission boards.

The Metropolitan Missions Department named Lloyd N. Whyte to serve as director of Jewish work in Miami, Fla. and Phyllis E. Ragan to serve as a mission center worker at Coliseum Center in New Orleans, La.

The Department of Work with National Baptists appointed Mack E. Sharpe as center director in Charleston, S. C.

The Urban-Rural Missions Department named Paul H. Smith to become superintendent of missions in Eureka, Calif.

ATLANTA (BP)—William S. Garmon, a New Orleans Seminary professor, will direct a 12-month study to determine needs and guidelines for a national ministry by Southern Baptists to the ex-prisoner.

The Home Mission Board of

the Southern Baptist Convention asked Garmon, who is an associate professor of social ethics at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (La.), to make the \$8,500 study.

Garmon will spend his sabbatical year on the study. He said he would interview inmates of a state prison and people with experience in the area, such as chaplains and others working with prisoners and with ex-prisoners.

Objectives of the study will be to discover the needs of the offender and his family, their attitudes and relationships to the church, and church attitudes toward the offenders.

The study will determine the most effective ways the churches and associations can assist in the rehabilitation of the offender.

ATLANTA (BP)—The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board appointed its first director for National (Negro) Baptist work in Florida.

Julius H. Avery of Panama City, Fla., for 16 years pastor of the city's First Baptist Church, accepted the position effective June 1.

The appointment is the second such state director named this year by the mission agency, and indicates an increased tempo in Southern Baptist work with Negroes.

Earlier this year Paul Aiken of Atlanta was appointed a director for National Baptist Work in Texas. The Florida director raises to 11 those states with such leaders. All the states have large Negro populations.

"By reason of Southern Baptists' long history of Christ (Continued on Page 2)

### BWA THEME—

## "...And The Truth Shall Make You Free"

By Josef Nordenhaug  
General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance

"...and the truth shall make you free." You will meet these words many times in announcements concerning the Baptist World Congress at Miami Beach, June 25-30, 1965. You will see them displayed in the Miami Beach area and in the meeting places there. They form the theme of the 11th Baptist World Congress. What do they mean?

We find this theme in John 8:31-32: "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall

make you free." This statement by Jesus cannot be understood apart from its context. That is why the word "...and" has been included in the theme.

What must these words by Jesus have meant to those who heard them originally? In spite of an increasingly hostile atmosphere Jesus had appeared in the Temple at the feast of Tabernacles and declared that he is the light of the world. He stood before them claiming to be the only visible embodiment of the Father. He was demanding of them obedience to the sovereign will of God.

His teaching had immedi-

ately aroused great admiration. But when Jesus began to make clear that his teaching could not be separated from personal acceptance of him as the Christ his listeners hesitated. It was to these hesitant believers he spoke the words: "If you continue in my word, then you are truly my disciples, and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

He called them to follow him, not just admire him. He wanted them to understand that to believe in him did not mean merely to exchange one set of beliefs for another.

His hearers evidently could (Continued on Page 2)



ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE—The order of business committee of the State Convention, in preparing a program for the November convention session, held one of its periodic meetings in the Baptist Building. From left: Dr. David Grant, Jackson; Rev. John W. Green, Winona, chairman; Sam Peoples, Vicksburg; Rev. Maurice Clayton, Meridian; and Rev. Joe Stevall, Lucedale.

## New Literature Series Announced

NASHVILLE—Titles of Sunday school and Training Union Life and Work Curriculum materials were announced at a Life and Work Curriculum Writers' Conference May 10-14 at the Sunday School Board.

Representatives from the board, Woman's Missionary Union, and Brotherhood Commission met with 65 writers for board and WMU periodicals the three Southern Baptist groups are jointly preparing the new curriculum which will be available beginning October 1966.

Quarterlies  
Sunday school quarterlies for class members in the Life and Work Curriculum will be: "Bible Study for Young People," "Bible Study (Continued on page 2)

## 'Concern' Committee Gifts Top \$100,000

Funds received by the Mississippi inter-faith Committee of Concern have topped the \$100,000 mark, it has been announced by Dr. Wm. P. Davis, Jackson, chairman.

The chairman, who said the figure totaled \$104,029.98, added that this was in addition to an estimated \$50,000 in donated skilled labor, equipment, furniture and materials, much of which was discounted.

The Committee of Concern is an inter-faith group of Mississippi white and Negro religious leaders, both clergymen and laymen, organized for the purpose of assisting in reconstructing the 41 recently burned Negro church buildings in the state.

The committee has already allocated \$87,000 to assist in the rebuilding of 27 of the churches. Thirteen of them have been completed, with 10 already dedicated.

The latest to be dedicated was Mt. Charity Baptist Church near Carthage on Sunday, May 23. Construction has been started or will be within a few days on 14 other churches.

Dr. Davis said that \$50,000 more was needed to complete the rebuilding of the churches.

From Every State  
Funds received have come

not only from Mississippi but from every state in the Union and several foreign countries.

Those desiring to contribute funds are asked to send them to the Committee of Concern, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss., and those who wish to donate labor, or equipment or supplies are asked to write to Dr. Wm. P. Davis, chairman of the Committee, at the same address.

## Scandinavia May Now Be Ripe For Revival-Graham

COPENHAGEN, Denmark—At the close of an eight-day crusade here, Billy Graham said he believes Scandinavia may be "ripe for revival." The evangelist said he believes his meetings here may open up all of Scandinavia for crusades. He said he had received numerous letters and invitations from all of the Scandinavian countries, including one from the archbishop of Finland.

The crusade here, which opened with disturbances and (Continued on Page 2)



# CHURCH-STATE Anti-Poverty War Problems Viewed

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Complaints that the antipoverty crusade is "undermining separation of church and state by providing public subsidy for antipoverty programs in church schools" are heard from all over the country, according to an article in the June issue of CHURCH AND STATE.

The magazine is published monthly by Americans United in Washington, D.C.

According to the story, parochial schools and church-related colleges have been able in several instances to substantially augment their staffs.

The magazine reports that a grant of \$4,140 to Nazareth College in Rochester, N. Y., operated by the Sisters of St. Joseph, provided salaries for student jobs ranging from clerk and typist to dormitory and library assistants.

Another grant, the magazine reports, will make possible the employment of 183 persons during the regular school year in Evansville, Ind., and 62 through the summer. "Of these," the report reads, "138 and 21, respectively, were to work in Catholic schools."

The magazine reports that San Superintendent's schools Father James Deneen, diocese in Evansville, explained what a boon this would be to his schools. He is reported to have said that in one country only two parochial schools have a secretary on the staff.

**Other Areas Included**  
Other problem areas mentioned in the magazine article include:

Chicago, where "two parochial schools were being paid \$6,500 a month for preschool programs." The article re-

asked funds for 25 more such states that the diocese "has programs."

Denver, where "67,850 was allocated for 265 student jobs in six Catholic high schools." The magazine reports that despite a strong protest on constitutional grounds Gov. John A. Love gave his approval and "added that it was not his business to interpret the Federal Constitution."

Pittsburgh, where vacation programs of parish schools reportedly "were to be financed with antipoverty funds."

The Board's decision to station a couple in South-West Africa followed the request of an English-language Baptist church in Windhoek, capital of the African territory. Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, said the primary responsibility of this couple will be "to minister to the local European population, while seeking to encourage the congregation to expand its ministry to the Africans in the nearby townships."

**50,000 In Brazil**  
More than 50,000 decisions for Christ have already been recorded in the Brazilian Baptist evangelistic campaign, which will continue to mid-June. The crusade was launched in Maracana Stadium, Rio de Janeiro, on Sunday, January 31. Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, said one of the most dramatic moments of the occasion came when Dr. Rubens Lopes, president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, called for a Latin-American evangelistic campaign. Upon the recommendation of its committee on Latin America, the Board voted to participate in this campaign and in doing so established guidelines for channeling cooperation and available resources.

Dr. Crawley reported 163 professions of faith in Christ in Thailand and 550 in Malaysia during recent evangelistic campaigns. "The number of decisions comes to more than 20 percent of the total membership of the churches involved," he said, pointing out that Southern Baptist mission work in these countries is only about 15 years old.

Dr. Crawley also reported that plans and preparation are moving ahead steadily for the Asia Baptist Sunday School Crusade in nine Orient lands in 1966. He described this effort as "the largest religious education project the Foreign Mission Board has ever undertaken."

Dr. Cauten said that all across the world there is a sense of urgency that Christian work be done on an ever increased scale while there is opportunity. "We must not forfeit the distinctive privileges we now have by fearfulness and over-caution growing out of observing winds and clouds," he concluded. "With our eyes upon a living Saviour, we must press ahead on all fronts, giving ourselves to every phase of mission work. A deep spiritual awakening on a world scale, replacing hatred with love, evil with good, and strife with peace, is the major need of our time."

## Personnel Plans

Under the medical relief program the Board's medical consultant, Dr. Franklin T. Fowler, will work with the personnel department in recommending employment of physicians and dentists 35 years of age and above for one-year periods of service. Dr. Fletcher said this program will not alter the Board's regular appointment of career missionary doctors. "It will allow us to use experienced people in an emergency role so that we can continue our approach toward well-prepared career people for our basic advance," he explained.

To meet its goal of 5,000 missionaries at the earliest possible date, the Board authorized its personnel department to employ two regional personnel representatives in each of three succeeding years, beginning this year. These representatives will locate in areas of heaviest concentration of missionary volunteers, candidates, and prospects. One of their major tasks will be to channel as many qualified people as possible into the screening procedure leading toward appointment as a missionary or employment as a missionary associate or missionary journeyman.

The Alford's ministry to the deaf includes a Sunday school class, a separate evangelistic worship service on Sunday morning, and interpretation of the regular evening worship service of the church.

The church has had a deaf ministry of this sort for over five years, states Kenneth Trinkle, minister of education. Dr. W. G. Tanner is pastor.



GROUNDBREAKING services were held at Immanuel Church, Vicksburg, on Sunday, May 9, for a two-story educational building, 42 x 100 feet. Rev. Henry J. Rushing, pastor, is pictured with shovel in hand. Others on front row include Mrs. Pearl Frazier, oldest member; Bill Thomas, chairman of trustees; J. W. Shoop, chairman of deacons; Louis Bell, trustee; and deacon; Jack Tillotson, secretary of trustees; T. C. Hardy, deacon. Second row includes Max Evans, Hubert Stroud, James Gilbreath, Jimmy Cupstid, and Coy Hicks, deacons.

## ...And The Truth

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not understand this. They were bound by their preconceptions. Some of them were particularly offended by the words: "...and the truth shall make you free." They resented them because they believed themselves to be free already: "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one." Then too his claim to authority from the Father disturbed them. It infuriated them to hear him say that they were still slaves to sin in spite of their claim of kinship to Abraham. They tried to stone him.

## A Way of Life

Let us not be too hasty in condemnation of these Jews, because our own day often substitutes great pride in tradition for commitment to truth. It is often convenient in our secular society to be content with a statement of faith rather than actual obedience to Christ. We need to make it crystal clear to ourselves as well as to others that the truth in Jesus Christ is not a proposition to be proven by argument but a way of life which demands our obedience. To continue in his word means to practice what he taught. A true disciple is an apprentice who learns by following the master. His concern is not so much with abstract thinking as with practical following. Christ said: "I am the way, and the truth, and the life."

This does not mean that a statement of our faith is to be neglected. Perhaps never in the history of Christianity has the gospel been challenged by hostile forces as it is today. The circumstances under which we live are constantly demanding that we make a defense of our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The Scripture says that we should always be ready to do so (1 Peter 3:15). Our account of the nature of the Christian way must be based on our experience of walking in it. The world will little heed doctrines which we proclaim, but which we deny in practice.

This problem is not new. We find strong statements in the New Testament about the absurdity of contradiction between profession and practice. "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord' and do not what I tell you?" (Luke 6:46). "How can we who died to sin still live in it?" (Rom. 6:2). "If any one says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?" (1 John 4:20). A follower of Christ must worship God in spirit and truth, he must walk in holiness, and he must love his fellow man.

## Truth Brings Freedom

The truth revealed in Christ carries its own verification (John 7:17). That verification comes in commitment to it in personal living. This relationship to Christ will affect every area of life. It will radiate into every political, economic, and social relationship. The believer's experiential insight into the truth as revealed in Jesus Christ will give him true freedom in all his relationships.

The nature of the freedom in Christ is often misunderstood. Most people in the world desire freedom. But some think of it in terms of external privileges. The ancient Roman cry: "Give us bread and circuses" has a modern ring. Some even fear freedom because they instinctively know that freedom is always coupled with responsibility. Where self-discipline is lacking, freedom cannot endure.

The freedom with which Christ sets us free has reference to the relationship established between God and the Christian through the redemp-

## Scandinavia May

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near-violence from leftist gangs, closed with standing-room-only crowds of 9,000. Officials said the crusade attendance broke all records in the 40-year history of the Forum.

Dr. Paul Brodersen, retired dean of the Copenhagen Cathedral, told Graham: "We have not seen anything like this in Denmark since the revival of 1880-1900." The crusade was sponsored by a committee composed of pastors from the Folkekirke (State Church) and the free churches.

A free church pastor, Rev. Kurt Mortensen of the Apostolic Church, said: "The future looks very promising now that so many different denominations are able to cooperate and the Folkekirke and free churches have shown they could stand together in this great evangelistic effort."

Total attendance for the eight nights was 65,700 and 681 inquirers were counseled.

**Membership in the Lutheran Church in America increased 2,934 last year, bringing the total at the end of 1964 to 3,253,091.**

tion which is in Christ Jesus. This relationship governs every area of his life.

The Christian's freedom is not canceled by physical incarceration. Paul in the prison at Rome was a man with more freedom in the Christian sense than the emperor on his throne. Since for a Christian freedom means allegiance to Jesus Christ, he will strive for religious liberty for all people. He tolerates no coercion on the point of his faith. The Christian faith has played and is playing a vital role in the concept of freedom among the nations. Without respect for the laws of God the people perish. Enduring peace with justice cannot be maintained on fear. Only if we abide in the word of him who bade us love our neighbor as ourselves can we have an enduring foundation for racial understanding and international good will.

## In Summary

As Baptists we believe in the sovereignty of God, the Lordship of Christ the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the personal nature of faith, believer's baptism, regenerate church membership, the memorial nature of the Lord's supper, the priesthood of all believers, and the obligation to witness. In translating these tenets of our faith into practice, we must surmount every barrier of race and class (Gal. 3:28-29). We must be concerned for one another's welfare and share with those in need. We must carry one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ (Gal. 6:2). We must oppose the coercive power of the state in matters of faith and conscience. We must seek to safeguard the God-given dignity of every man in the midst of the problems caused by the increasing world population, unemployment, and moral decay.

None of us can claim to have all God's truth in Christ fully wrapped up in our tenets and practices. But Christ is full of grace as well as truth. By his grace we find forgiveness for our sins through faith, and by grace we are given ever new incentive to abide in his word. And if we abide in his word we shall gain practical knowledge of his truth and we shall be made free.

Josef Nordenhaug is general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance.

## Mississippi To Graduate

Charles R. Martindale (pictured) will be among the 125 graduates of New Orleans Seminary, in commencement exercises May 28.

Mr. Martindale, of Tutwiler, Miss., will receive the Master of Religious Education degree.



Rev. W. L. Day

## Day Resigns

## Tupelo Pastorate

By announcing his resignation at a recent business meeting, Rev. W. L. Day brought to an end a sixteen-year pastorate at Calvary Church, Tupelo. He has been called to the Beacon Street Church, Philadelphia, effective July 1.

Rev. Day began his pastorate at the Calvary Church in 1949. At that time the church had a membership of 726 and a Sunday school enrollment of 662. The church's operating budget embraced a figure of \$72,258.00. During his leadership the church grew to a membership of 1245, with the Sunday school reaching an all time high enrollment of 1104, averaging 557 people per Sunday. The budget climbed to a figure of \$155,000.00. Mr. Day baptized 621 people during his tenure of service.

"The influence and ministry of W. L. Day will long be remembered by the people of Mississippi and particularly those of the North Mississippi area. His spiritual leadership and Christian witness have been the means of hundreds of people finding Christ as Saviour. The unusual and dedicated prayer life of W. L. Day won the respect of all with whom he came in contact," states a church leader. In recent months the Calvary Church's television ministry carried his messages into the homes of thousands. Letters and other communications verify the fact that W. L. Day brought people closer to God and converted many to Christianity."

W. L. Day told his congregation: "My wife and I have searched the Scriptures and our hearts. We have been on our knees seeking the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We found it and we must answer the call of the Beacon Street Church. We shall miss the people of Calvary and the people of Tupelo. For sixteen sweet, wonderful years our lives have been joined together as one. I pray that God will bless Calvary Baptist Church as it continues to be a powerful witness for the Heavenly Father."

"Coasting on a job is like coasting on a bicycle—neither can be done for long, except when going down hill."

# Greater Baptist COLLEGES Unity Is Sought CONFER For America DOCTORATES

SAN FRANCISCO (BP) — Presidents of two major Baptist groups in the United States met here and expressed hope for greater unity and cooperation among the 25 Baptist bodies in North America.

The presidents were J. Lester Harnish of Portland, Ore., and Wayne Dehoney of Jackson, Tenn. Harnish presided over the 58th annual meeting of the American Baptist Convention here.

Dehoney was a fraternal messenger from the Southern Baptist Convention, which he serves as president.

Harnish cited the Fellowship of American Convention and Southern Convention state leaders in Ohio as an example of grass roots Baptist communications. Dehoney pointed out channels of communication have developed through the Baptist World Alliance.

The SBC president predicted the North American Baptist Fellowship—up for a vote at the SBC this year as to that convention's joining it—would usher in "a great new area of joint Baptist witness."

The Tennessean also said that the two conventions "are coming to share the same concerns and heart beats."

## Charles Johnson Passes Away

Dr. Charles Johnson, director of Southwestern Seminary's library, died Saturday morning. Funeral services were held at the Truett Auditorium, Fort Worth, Texas, 3 p. m., May 24. Burial will take place in Ottawa, Kans., Wednesday, May 26. The family has requested that no flowers be sent.

## HMB Expands ...

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tion endeavor in this area, and present national trends, I believe Southern and National Baptists are ready to emerge into a far greater era in Christian understanding, cooperation, and mutual helpfulness in church development and all areas of life," declared Mr. Avery.

Avery, a native of Rome, Ga., with a wealth of experience in the denomination and the pastorate, will stress evangelism, stewardship, religious education, and mission work on a cooperative basis between National and Southern Baptists.

Avery taught in the Negro Baptist Academy in Meridian, Miss. during a pastorate in that city. He continued his work with Negro leadership in Florida, and was recognized for service to the Florida Memorial College (Negro Baptist) in St. Augustine.

## Wichita Church ...

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ation with the National Council of Churches.

His father, F. B. Thorn, since retired, was pastor of the First Baptist Church.

The minority group favoring continued connection with the American Baptist Convention won its court fight to retain the \$2½ million property of First Baptist Church after two years of legal battling.

The majority then pulled out and formed the Metropolitan Baptist Church. It has been meeting in Southeast High School at Wichita while building its own \$2 million plant, W. E. Thorn said.

## Resolution Praises Pastor

The Joint Missions Committee of the Lafayette-Marshall Association has adopted a resolution of appreciation for Rev. E. V. May, who served as pastor of the North Oxford Church for almost nine years. Mr. May has accepted the pastorate of First Church, Shannon, and has moved to that field.

In part, the resolution states that "Brother May served faithfully and untiringly on the Joint Missions Committee of the Lafayette-Marshall Association, as chairman, vice-chairman, and treasurer. He also served as moderator of

HOWARD PAYNE  
BROWNWOOD, Tex. (BP) —Howard Payne College here awards two honorary Doctor of Laws degrees during spring commencement exercises to a Dallas insurance executive and to a Houston attorney.

Receiving the degrees are Carr P. Collins Jr. of Dallas, vice president of the Fidelity Union Life Insurance Company, and Willard L. Russell of Houston, Attorney at Law.

## Hardin-Simmons

ABILENE, Texas (BP) — Hardin - Simmons University (Baptist) here confers honorary degrees on the head of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, a Baptist pastor, and a Baptist medical doctor during their 73rd annual commencement here.

The Degrees go to Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board; H. E. East, pastor of First Baptist Church of Arlington, Tex.; and Dr. Robert A. Hingson.

## Georgetown

Brooks Hays, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree by Georgetown College (Baptist), Georgetown, Kentucky, May 28. Hays is now a White House consultant and visiting professor at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

## OSHAWNEE, Okla.

SHAWNEE, Okla. — Barry Garrett, Jr., associate director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs in Washington, D. C. is one of three persons who will receive honorary doctorate degrees from Oklahoma Baptist University here, May 30.

A minister, newsman and author, Garrett will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree in commencement exercises at OBU.

Other recipients are Mrs. Rheta May Dorland, professor emerita of modern languages at OBU, and Glenn Richard Capp, chairman of the department of oral communications at Baylor University, Waco. Mrs. Dorland will receive a Doctor of Humanities Degree. Capp will be awarded the Doctor of Letters Degree.

## New Literature ...

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for Young Married People," "Bible Study for Young Adults," "Bible Study for Adults," and "Bible Study for Senior Adults."

For Sunday School teachers, the new curriculum will offer these quarterlies: "Young People's Bible Teaching Guide," and "Adult Bible Teaching Guide."

Training Union quarterlies in the new curriculum will be: personal training guides—"Adults Training for Action" and "Young People Training for Action"; group training guides for leadership—"Adult Training Guide" and "Young People's Training Guide."

## Additional Materials

These Sunday School and Training Union periodicals are additional curriculum materials offered to Southern Baptist churches. The Sunday School Board will continue to publish uniform Sunday School lessons and the Training Union periodicals in the church membership training series. Churches may choose either curriculum.

The New Life and Work Curriculum is intended to bring about a correlation of the Adult and Young People's study programs of the Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and music ministry. It will provide a unified, comprehensive course of study, tailor-made for the over-all educational program of a Southern Baptist church.

the Lafayette Association and as dean of the Oxford Center of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary.

"Brother May is a man with a very deep love for God's word, and a good preacher. He will not sacrifice principle for expediency. To be right is much more important to him than to have favor."



## Bel-Aire Church Is Constituted

Bel-Aire Church was formally constituted on Sunday afternoon, May 15, with 101 charter members. It is the 42nd church affiliated with the Gulf Coast Association.

Bel-Aire Baptist Mission has been jointly sponsored by the Association and the New Hope Church, Rev. Glenn Morgan, pastor.

The organization service was presided over by Rev. O. Oglesbee, pastor of the Trinity Church and moderator of the association. Rev. J. W. Brister, pastor of First Church, Long Beach, and chairman of the Associational Missions-Finance Committee, presented the resolution to organize. Historical highlights were given by the pastor, Rev. Lee Burns.

Mr. Morgan delivered the message, entitled "The Church." Musicians for the occasion were Mrs. Ross C. Harvey and Marlin Peachey, both members of Bel-Aire.

Rev. Lee Burns, who has served as mission pastor at Bel-Aire since its beginning in October, 1963, was called to serve the new church as pastor.



Jimmy D. Davis

## Named Officer Of Student Council

Jimmy D. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Davis, Canton, has been elected vice president of the Student Council at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Davis, who was ordained by the Lone Pine Church near Canton in Madison County, will serve for the 1965-66 school year. A graduate of Mississippi College, is working toward the B. D. degree at the seminary.

This year he has been vice president of Fort Worth Hall, men's residence on the seminary campus.

His parents are also members of the Lone Pine Church.

# Singing, Empty Foyers Mark British Meeting

By Robert J. Hastings  
For Baptist Press  
(Robert J. Hastings, stewardship secretary, Kentucky Baptist Convention, attended the annual meeting of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland and compares it with the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.—Editor.)

The magnificent congregational singing and the way the delegates crowded into the sessions rather than loitering in the halls are only two of many favorable impressions I received while attending the 153rd Assembly (convention) of the Baptist Union of Great

Britain and Ireland. For the first time in 26 years, the Assembly, which ordinarily meets in London, convened in Northern England in the city of Leeds. Howard Williams, pastor of London's Bloomsbury Baptist Church, presided.

Since the meeting time was so near that of the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas, I constantly compared the two. Here were some of my observations:

1. Congregational singing. It was very impressive, sounding very much like a 2,000-voice choir. There was no special music as such, but each hymn was sung with

meaning and reverence. There was no music director, the organist being responsible for setting the pace. Unlike Southern Baptist Conventions, practically everyone attended the sessions. The hallways and exhibits were deserted when the first hymn was announced.

2. Representation of churches. With about 2,200 churches in their union, delegates to the Assembly numbered nearly 3,000. To equal this with its more than 30,000 churches, the SBC would have well over 40,000 messengers and visitors.

3. High interest in foreign missions. As in the SBC, interest reached a peak on foreign missions night when 17 young appointees were commissioned. Seats were at a premium, and the overflow watched on closed circuit television.

4. Business and worship. When business was to be transacted, a separate session was held. The specified times for worship and preaching were carefully safeguarded. Business sessions tended to be much shorter than those at the SBC. The Baptist Union appeared to be designed more for fellowship than for denominational enterprises.

Discussion from the floor was practically non-existent. For example, a resolution endorsing racial integration took only 38 minutes, with only four brief comments from the floor. When the resolution passed unanimously, spontaneous applause broke out.

5. Absence of children. Although there was a session for young people, the almost total absence of children and teenagers was quite apparent. Unlike many Southern Baptists, who combine a family vacation with the convention, British Baptists tend to leave their families at home, coming solely for the proceedings themselves.

6. Wide spectrum of speakers. British Baptists tend to be more ecumenical. Speakers included officials of both the World Council and British Council of Churches, as well as the Archbishop of York, Second Ranking prelate in the church of England.

When introducing one of these guests, the president said, "He knows, as we know, that there is only one body of Christ, and that either one is a part of it or he is not." (Easter of 1960 has been set as a target date by some groups for church union in Britain).

Although it is risky to draw conclusions after such a brief encounter, I believe both British and Southern Baptists could learn from each other. Southern Baptists could well imitate their deep, personal devotion, their skill in public worship, their willingness to look for good in all faiths, and their appreciation for men of all races. In turn, the Britishers might profit by imitating the SBC's more democratic participation in denominational life, its conviction that Baptists still have a unique message for this generation, and its promotional techniques for reaching large numbers of people for at least a nominal commitment.

Thursday, May 27, 1965

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MARK WATSON, newly elected president of the Student Government at William Carey College, is shown discussing the Morrison's Food Service plans with Beth Ann Funnell of Somerdale, New Jersey. Morrison's will begin operation of the Carey College cafeteria beginning September 1. Mr. Watson is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Watson of Playune, and Beth Ann Funnell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Funnell of Somerdale, New Jersey.



PRESIDENTS of Blue Mountain College Classes for the 1965-66 session are shown at their first meeting after the recent election, when members of their respective classes honored them by making top officers of the group. Front, Mary Beth Gowan, McAdams, Junior Class President; back row, left to right: Shirley Upchurch, Macon, Permanent President of the 1965 Senior Class; Sylvia Fugh, Memphis, regular Senior Class President; and Elaine Farrington, Baltimore, Md., Sophomore Class President.



WINNING DEBATES—The Mississippi College debate team has just completed one of its most successful seasons ever. Here they pose for a group picture with some of the trophies they have won in contests throughout the South. Front row, left to right, are Bonnie Breedlove, Charleston; Carol Ann Page, Amory; Lois Ann Peckham, Hattiesburg; Judy Smith, Aberdeen; and Jane Land, Clinton. Second row, from left, Tedd Nelson, Miami, Fla.; Mike McMillan, Hattiesburg; Bobby Newell, Meridian; Bob Martin, Miami, Fla.; and James Scott, Brookhaven. Back row, from left, Illar (Skeet) Osborne, Tallulah, La.; Hollis B. Todd, debate coach; and Buster Renick, Jackson. (MC Photo)

## Woman's Missionary Union

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Executive Secretary—MISS EDWINA ROBINSON  
YWA Director—MISS MARJEAN PATTERSON  
Sunbeam Director—MISS WAUDINE STOREY  
GA Director—MISS RUTH LITTLE

In just a few days now Camp Garaywa will open for Girls' Auxiliary Camps. As is always true, we have endeavored to secure an efficient, capable staff and we are pleased to list the names and schools of the young women who will be assisting Miss Ruth Little, Camp Director, during the summer.

NAME	SCHOOL
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Esther Fernandez	Blue Mountain College
Ouida Rose Fleming	Southwestern Seminary
Evelyn Darlene Graybill	Southwestern Seminary
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DR. O. P. MOORE was presented a copy of THE SEER, Clarke College yearbook, at a recent assembly by the Editor, Martha Steadman, Louisville, and the assistant editor and business manager, Mary Margaret Sullivan, also of Louisville. "With These Hands" is the theme used by THE SEER staff of twenty-three students and A. L. McLaughlin, sponsor. The poem by this title, written by Ed Seabough, is illustrated throughout the 130 page book. Dr. Moore has served on the faculty and staff of Clarke College since 1948. He has taught in the Bible Department since 1954.

## Report From Dr. Harold Seever

The many friends of Dr. Harold Seever, pastor of Dauphin Way Church in Mobile, have been deeply concerned about him since reports that he had been stricken with blindness were released several weeks ago.

The latest report concerning his condition is found in a personal letter from Dr. Seever to Dr. Leon Macon, editor of the ALABAMA BAPTIST, which appeared in that publication last week.

An excerpt from the letter brings a most encouraging report.

We are not afraid of the future, but as God has directed every moment in the past and has blessed us so bountifully, we are confident that He will continue to guide and direct in

the future. How wonderful is the Scripture, "Commit thy way unto the Lord, and He will direct thy path." We believe in the Scripture and are committing ourselves in that spirit completely to His will.

I am sure that you will be interested in knowing that already one of God's miracles has taken place in that we recently discovered Dr. Paul A. Cibus, a noted international ophthalmologist and a faculty member in the medical school of Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. Dr. Cibus operates in the McMillan Hospital, and I visited him simply for an evaluation on Thursday, April 15, and he immediately informed me that he felt that he could definitely operate. I entered the hospital on Friday the 16th and had surgery on Saturday the 17th. I am very pleased to say that both Dr. Cibus and his associates are very pleased, the operation has been a complete success, and there have been no complications. He does not guarantee that I will be able to read, but simply that I will have sufficient vision to be able to move about without great difficulty which, of course, is a tremendous improvement over being completely in the dark. No other ophthalmologist gave us any encouragement whatsoever, and Dr. Cibus is indeed a God-send. He has been a man used of God to be of tremendous blessing in my life. It is marvelous to reveal that upon examination the first of the week, Dr. Cibus himself said that it was due to the prayers of the people that he was able to achieve such success, and so you can readily see that you have had a very definite part in our lives, and for your prayer contribution we are tremendously grateful.

We do covet your continued interest and prayers, and be assured of our deepest gratitude for your interest, your message, and your encouragement.

The members of our church and congregation have indeed been a blessing in our lives, and at the present moment I do anticipate the continuation of my ministry as pastor of the Dauphin Way Baptist Church with the able assistance of our capable staff. Continue to pray for each of us, and with every good wish, I am

Sincerely,  
Harold and Ahleida Seever  
and Mrs. Joan Bailey  
Dictated in McMillan Hospital  
St. Louis, Missouri

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK AT GULFSHORE JUNE 28 - JULY 2



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FOR RESERVATIONS WRITE: W. T. Douglas, Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP PREPARATION WEEK

Suggested Week — September 20-24, 1965

Plan now to order sufficient copies of "The Sunday School Builder" for July, August and September. These issues are designed for programing the new year of Sunday school work; for use in Preparation Week, and, will be used in connection with "The Church Program Guidebook, 1965-66."

## MC Slates

## Art Workshop

Mississippi College will stage its second annual High School Art Workshop June 14-17, it was announced today.

The four-day workshop, open to high school juniors, seniors, and college freshmen-to-be, will be conducted in the art laboratories of the Aven Fine Arts building.

Serving on the faculty will be Marie Hull, well-known Jackson artist; Roy Baker, staff artist for Gordon Marks Advertising Agency in Jackson; Sam Gore, acting head of the Mississippi College art department who will be returning after a year's leave of absence; and Bob Dunnaway, currently art instructor at Mississippi College.

According to Dunnaway, coordinator for the workshop, students will be judged on their work and prizes and awards will be given. The student doing the best work during the period of study will be awarded a \$100 scholarship to Mississippi College.

Southern Carton Division of Consolidated Packaging Corporation will present one participant with a \$25 cash award. Several other prizes will also be given.

Fee for the workshop will be \$35 which will cover room, meals, and art materials for the four days. Students interested in participating should write immediately to Mr. Dunnaway, art department, Mississippi College, Clinton. A \$5 deposit will be required, but will be subtracted from the overall fee at the time of registration.

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

### How To Stamp Out The Baptists

Cuba's Castro is about to learn a lesson. He soon will find out that he cannot destroy Baptists by throwing their leaders into jail. That never has worked! It will not work today!

Europe tried it. Rome tried for hundreds of years to stamp out the hated Anabaptists. When the reformation came, even the Protestants joined in the effort. Many of these Baptist forebears were thrown into dungeons or burned at stake, and multiplied thousands of them suffered for their faith. But where one was destroyed, others appeared in his place, and the number multiplied.

Even here in America, Massachusetts and Virginia joined in the effort to annihilate the Baptists, by driving their preachers into exile or throwing them into prison. That only made more Baptists and caused their witness to grow.

In this modern day, Russia and other countries are still trying, unsuccessfully, to destroy the Baptist witness.

Now Castro is trying it. Evidently he doesn't like the Baptists. They never cooperate with any ruler who takes away freedom. They will suffer in silence and go on with their efforts to win men to Christ, but they will not help take away liberty from others. They believe in freedom, full freedom for all men. Rulers who do not want that, do not get along well with them. In Castro's case, because he cannot secure the full support of these people for the Communist cause, he has brought fantastic charges against the leaders, and thrown them into prison.

For the present moment Castro's opposition to the Baptist work may seem to be succeeding, but the ultimate outcome will be different. The Baptist witness will not be destroyed. God is on their side. Long

after Castro is gone, the Baptists will still be in his land, and they will be stronger than ever. They are in the world to stay.

Now, there may be a way to destroy Baptists, but it is not the dungeon. If you want to destroy them, get them to compromise their witness and their testimony. Lead them away from their New Testament doctrines and convictions. Cause them to turn away from their belief in the authority of the Word of God, the distinctive divinity of Jesus Christ, redemption through the blood, the bodily resurrection of Christ, and His glorious personal return. Get them to quit preaching salvation by grace and the security of the believer. Lead them to practice alien immersion and open communion. Take away the fires of evangelism and missions. Cause them to abandon the New Testament principles which have made them. Get them involved in ecumenism and compromise. Do these things and you will destroy Baptists!

Jail cells will never do it!

#### GUEST EDITORIAL

### SBC Needs God's Leadership As Never Before

John J. Hurt in Christian Index, (Ga.)

No Southern Baptist Convention since World War II was in greater need of God's guidance than will be the session opening June 1 in Dallas.

There will be debate, to be sure, for ours is a democracy and a half-dozen or so items of importance will be presented. But importance of each item is only for the moment of decision if we but look beyond the convention halls.

Two of our missionaries are in Cuban jails as are two score or more of our Cuban church leaders. Men from our churches die in the jungles and rice paddies of Vietnam. Others dodge the sniper's fire in the Dominican Republic.

There is talk in the homeland of more racial strife. Respect for government drops by the hour. There is revolt against law and order with the result

no one is safe at any place or in any hour.

It is true to say only Christ is the answer in times like these. Maybe so. It also is true. There is no solution outside of Christ.

President Wayne Dehoney's 35-word prayer needs to be on the lips, and in the hearts of every messenger: "May God give us a new sense of direction, to look from ourselves toward a lost world that needs the gospel; a new dynamic, that of the cross itself; and a new sense of destiny."

The 1965 Southern Baptist Convention must be a praying convention. The God who set Paul free could strike the chains from our missionaries and our Christian leaders in all countries. The God in heaven wants a kingdom on earth just as in heaven if we will only seek it.

It borders on the sacrilege to mention issues in times like these. There will, we guess, be a racial resolution or two offered. Maybe there is need of expression but it is minor compared to need for transformation in the lives of people, both white and black.

There is the proposal for a North American Baptist Fellowship. It is a reflection on our provincialism if we must argue how about joining hands with other Baptists. There will be a decision on whether the president's term should be reduced from two one-year terms to one term of one year. We oppose the change.

There will be the proposal for a Cooperative Program budget of \$21.8 million. Vote it and ask God's forgiveness for the stinginess of 10 million Baptists that it is not four times the amount.

Other items of even less importance will come under the gavel. We cannot imagine any worth more than 60 seconds if we but see a troubled nation in a troubled world — all because Christians are not troubled.

Back to Dr. Dehoney: "What God could do through us is limitless, if we would but pay the price in sacrifice and dedication."

We are paying the price in dollars for war and crime; in lives of our military and the victims of our criminals. It will be so until we pay the price "in sacrifice and dedication" to the God we worship.

A God-led convention in Dallas could be the turning point. It is for 10,600,000 Southern Baptists to pray and 10,000 messengers to decide.

### BAPTIST BELIEFS

By Herschel H. Hobbs  
Pastor, First Baptist Church  
Oklahoma City, Okla.

#### COMMANDED NOT TO WITNESS

(Matthew 16:20)

"Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ."

In the light of Jesus' many commands to witness concerning Him these words sound strange indeed. Does Jesus contradict Himself? Such would be untrue to His nature. What, then, do these words mean?

The word "charged" means to admonish strongly. The word for "no" is a strong negative meaning "not one." The name "Jesus" is absent from the oldest and best manuscripts. So Jesus strongly admonished the disciples to tell not one person that He was the Christ. Why?

In order to understand these words we must recall the current Jewish concept of the Messiah or Christ. They were a captive people longing to be free. And that longing had corrupted their understanding of the nature and work of the Christ. The Old Testament presented the Messiah as both a Suffering Servant and as One bringing judgment. Both of these elements were fulfilled in Jesus' earthly ministry. But the major emphasis was upon Him as the Suffering Servant. Both men and nations are judged within the context of history. But the greatest fulfillment of the judgment element will come at the end of the age.

But the Jews of the first century thought of the Messiah only in terms of judgment. To them He would come as a mighty conqueror to destroy their enemies and to establish an earthly kingdom. With Him the Jews would rule the world. So they thought only of a military and political Messiah. It was such a Messianic concept that Satan offered to Jesus in His initial temptation experience, and which Jesus refused (Matt. 4:8-10). Repeatedly Satan offered it with the same response from Jesus.

Jesus' admonition to His disciples came approximately

six months before the crucifixion. Jesus' "hour" had not yet come. To proclaim Him as the Christ at that time would have precipitated a military revolution which was contrary to God's purpose and Jesus' mission.

But an even greater truth underlies Jesus' admonition. The disciples themselves were still captives of the Jewish concept. Even though they had confessed Jesus as "the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:16), they still did not fully comprehend the nature of His Messiahship. Peter's reaction to Jesus' words about His death and resurrection prove this (Matt. 16:21-23). They were not yet in position to understand the redemptive work (Suffering Servant) of Jesus (cf. Lk. 24:44-48). Had they gone forth at that time to proclaim that Jesus was the Christ, their message doubtless would have majored on the military and political concept.

So Jesus strongly admonished them at this time to tell not one person that He was the Christ. They were not yet prepared to do so. Neither was the gospel of redemption a reality as yet. When Jesus has completed His redemptive work and has unveiled the full, true meaning of the Christ to His disciples, then He will send them forth to proclaim this glorious truth to all the world. In the meantime they are to wait.

It is not enough merely to proclaim a partial Christ. And certainly not a false picture of Him. We must preach Him in the fullness of His glory and redemptive will and work. To do any less is to negate His saving power among men.

#### Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

May 31—Mrs. Bea Fortenberry, Baptist Book Store; James Parkman, faculty, Mississippi College.

June 1—J. Clark Hensley, Hinds County superintendent of missions; John M. Read, Alcorn superintendent of missions.

June 2—Mrs. Elton Moore, staff, Clarke College; Everett Myers, faculty, Carey College.

June 3—Gwen Powell, faculty, Gilroy School of Nursing; Karl McGraw, staff, Children's Village.

June 4—Leon Emery, Baptist headquarters; Lee Ferrell, Baptist Building.

June 5—Margaret Eakin, Baptist student director, Blue Mountain College; Joyce Henry, Baptist Book Store.

June 6—Mrs. Owen Cooper, vice-president, state WMU; Mrs. Kathleen Rockenbach, staff, Carey College.



In the First Baptist Reminder of Dallas we found these words of Dr. W. A. Criswell.

In the sermon last Sunday morning I read a summation of the chief teachings of the Scriptures which are contradicted by the modern apostate church. So many people asked that it be published in the Reminder until, in keeping with their desires, I have decided to do so. Here are the six main points of that summation:

1. The Scriptures teach: There is a personal God, Creator of heaven and earth.

The apostate church teaches: there is no personal God but an Eternal Energy or Force. There never has been an act of creation. Matter always was.

2. The Scriptures teach: Besides man there are other created intelligences — angels, fallen angels, demons, Satan. There is a kingdom of darkness under the rule of the fallen angel, Satan, the enemy of God and of man, "the prince of this world."

The apostate church teaches: There are no angels good or evil, no demons, no Satan, no kingdom of darkness.

3. The Scriptures teach: Man fell from his original perfection and goodness and so came under the law of sin and death; and therefore needs a Redeemer.

The apostate church teaches: Man has evolved upward and has never fallen. He needs no redemption, but is in the process of evolving into a state of highest goodness and wisdom.

4. The Scriptures teach: The only begotten Son of God became man to redeem man from sin and death on the cross; and He is now our High Priest making intercession for us.

The apostate church teaches: Jesus is but one of the sons of God, for God is incarnate alike in all men. He is not now our High Priest, for his work as Saviour was completed in giving us a moral ideal.

5. The Scriptures teach: There is to be a Kingdom of Christ set up at the return of the risen Lord, in which His church, made like him in resurrection life, shall reign with Him, and all nations dwell in peace.

The apostate church teaches: There will be no return of Christ to the earth and no resurrection of the dead. Through processes of evolution earth will see a perfected humanity, a new social order in which all evils will be done away, and the kingdom of man will come.

6. The Scriptures teach: The conflict of good and evil, of Christ and Satan, will come to its final decision in the personal triumph of Christ over Satan, when Satan shall be cast into the bottomless pit with those who follow him.

The apostate church teaches: There is no bottomless pit, no hell, no such contest, for all evil is imperfect good, stumbling upward, and will disappear as humanity is developed.

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### PAGES

#### FROM THE PAST

by J. L. Boyd

##### 60 Years Ago

Pastor I. P. Trotter of Hattiesburg Church closed a protracted meeting, resulting in 42 additions, 20 of them for baptism. He had as helper W. A. Borum of Greenville as visiting preacher.

##### 50 Years Ago

The Lyon Church was "delighted and charmed... with some of the best preaching I have ever heard... (and)... All together it was one of the most satisfactory meetings I have ever had in my churches." Thus declared Pastor W. S. Allen concerning Zeno Wall of Columbia who did the preaching.

##### 40 Years Ago

Pastor N. J. Lee of Sumrall had as helpers in their revival meeting Wayne Allison as preacher and G. P. Rockwell as song leader which resulted in 34 additions to the membership, 17 of them by baptism.

Belzoni Church reaped a harvest of 35 accessions to their church roll, 25 of them for baptism from a revival meeting in which Evangelist L. C. Wolf of Oklahoma did the preaching and A. H. Doty of Jackson led the song services. Pastor J. H. Hooks, reporting.

##### 25 Years Ago

Pastor E. Y. Solleau tells of the ten day's meeting in which he was assisted by J. N. Miller of Church Point, La., doing the preaching while Prof. and Mrs. S. H. Price were leading the song services. There were seventeen additions, eleven of them by experience and baptism.

The Baptist Church of Anguilla had 68 professions of faith and a number joining by letter from a two week's protracted meeting during which Pastor B. B. Hall was assisted by Evangelist Barney Walker. (and this was the fourth time this church had Evangelist Walker to lead in their annual revival meeting.)

Southside Church, Jackson, had 20 accession from an eight-day meeting in which Pastor Percy M. Cooper had Thurman Booth as visiting minister.

Crimes committed by youths under eighteen show the greatest increase in the years 1960-63. Over-all increase for this age group was 46%; in crimes of violence, murder, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault, the rise was 57%. Adjusted for population rise, crime increase was 32% in violent crimes of juveniles and 22% in crimes affecting property.



### Newest In Books

**TRIALS, TRAGEDIES, & TRIUMPHS** by R. Earl Allen (Revell, 160 pp., \$2.95)

An outstanding series of messages on events related to the death and resurrection of our Lord. The book is divided into three parts, there are 7 messages on words before the cross, seven on words from the cross, and seven on words after the cross. The first messages relate to those events which occurred just prior to Calvary, while the seven last messages deal with great post-resurrection experiences. The author uses alliteration very effectively, both in his subjects, and also in the outlines. The messages are well written, clear in outline, pointed in application, and rich in illustration. They will be helpful in Bible study, devotional reading, and in preparation for preaching or teaching.

**PUBLIC REGULATION OF THE RELIGIOUS USE OF LAND** by James E. Curry (Michie Co., Charlotte, Va., 429 pp.,)

An exhaustive manual of law for persons directly concerned, for or against, in attempts to regulate churches, church-schools and other re-

ligious institutions under zoning laws. Public regulation of the religious use of land is now a controversial development of the law. For example California municipalities have the right to exclude churches completely. Other courts have ruled that churches do not have a "cloak of immunity" from regulations to which secular enterprises must conform. The whole issue is discussed in these twenty-two chapters. The author is thorough in his research. Baptist churches are mentioned many times, with special cases involving them discussed. Attorneys will find this volume of special value, but it also will prove of much value to many other church leaders.

**THEY SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES** by John L. Sherrill (McGraw-Hill, 165 pp., \$4.50)

A trained journalist and writer probes into the meaning of the modern "tongues" movement. He read many books, searched the Scriptures, probed into history, and personally interviewed large numbers of people in making his research. His findings, experiences and conclusions,

make a fascinating and informative study.

**SEEKS A CITY SAINT** by David Head (Macmillan, 128 pp., \$2.95)

Sainthood in modern city living. The author uses a series of letters to a city friend to deal with the problems of living for Christ in the rush and press of life in a modern city.

**ON THE DAMASCUS ROAD** by Avin Harry Johnston (Zondervan, 183 pp., \$2.95)

A novel on life in the days of the early church. Life and customs in Bible lands in that day clearly depicted, in a story of a man who persecuted Christians with Saul, and then saw Jesus Christ in Saul's eyes.

**FIRST BIBLE LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS**, edited by Elmira Hill (Moody, 146 large pp.,)

Lesson materials for the "under fives". Fifty-two Bible lessons, covering great OT bible stories and life of Christ. Each lesson includes Preparation, Presentation, Activity and Other suggestions. There are drawings and other hand work suggestions.



# Associational Missions, Why?

By C. H. Melton  
Supt. of Missions  
Newton County

The district association is the oldest and most important unit of Baptist denominational life outside the local church. In his introduction to *A Mission Program for a Baptist Association* by S. F. Dowis, A. Hamilton Reed says: "No other unit of denominational life contributes so largely as a unifying influence among Baptists and serves so effectively in the promotion of the Baptist cause at home and around the world."

In his book, *The Morning Hour of American Baptist Missions*, Albert L. Vail likewise attaches great significance to the district association. He declares: "So it came to pass that in 107 years between the founding of the Philadelphia Association and the origin of the General Convention, the association became the general utility institution of American Baptists. Take out of the denominational life what went into it through this medium, and the whole would be deplorably depleted in every way."

Further evidence of the importance of the association is reflected in the contributions which associations have made to American life in general and to Baptist life in particular. Ten of these are worthy of mention. (1) They played a vital part in gaining religious liberty; (2) they proved the feasibility and practicability of the principle of democracy in church and denominational life; (3) they preserved and published the records of Baptists' activity and achievement; (4) they clarified doctrinal and disciplinary confusion; (5) they defended with vigor Baptist leaders and principles; (6) they unified the Baptist people; (7) they brought outstanding denominational leaders into direct contact with local churches; (8) they pioneered in the establishment of Baptist schools and colleges; (9) they initiated and promoted cooperation among Baptist churches for great missionary and benevolent endeavors; and (10) they laid the foundation for the modern organizations and activities of Southern Baptists.

It was not by accident that associations made these contributions. They did so because they took into account existing needs and set about to meet those needs. The meeting of needs—whatever those needs were and whatever form of activity was involved in meeting those needs—became for the associations

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a program of work.

In recent years the program of work of the district association has come to be called associational missions. Because associational missions is designed to meet needs, it involves personnel, administration, materials, and activities. These, of course, involve finance. The more complex and comprehensive a program becomes, the more costly it becomes. This fact often prompts the question "Why associational missions?" In an attempt to answer that question the following ideas are suggested.

I. The practices of some of the churches in New Testament times provide a scriptural precedent for modern associational missions. (1) A series of church councils was held in Jerusalem, the purpose of which was to counsel together concerning doctrinal position and missionary policy (Acts 11:1-18; 15:1-29; and Gal. 2:1-10). (2) Cooperative action was taken by a group of churches for benevolent and missionary purposes. The church at Antioch led in the raising of a fund for the relief of the needy Christians in Judea (Acts 11:27-30). (3) To advance the cause of Christ and unite Jews and Gentiles in a bond of Christian fellowship, a group of Gentile churches raised a sum of money for the relief of aged and needy Jews in Jerusalem and Judea (I Corinthians 16:1-4; and II Corinthians 9:1-2).

II. The practices of some of the earliest associations for which records are available provide a valid philosophy of associational missions; namely, the association exists for the benefit of the churches. (1) In 1644 there was published in London a document entitled *Confession of the Seven Churches*. The forty-seventh article of the *Confession* states: "although the particular congregations be distinct and several bodies, everyone as a compact and knit city within itself; yet are they all to walk by one rule of truth so also they, by all means convenient, are to have counsel and help one of another, if necessity requires it, as members of one body in the common faith, under Christ their head." (2) In 1650 three churches in Wales met at one of the churches "to consult concerning such business as was then by God's assistance determined and expressed." (3) Messengers from approximately 100 churches met in London in 1689 and formed the London Assembly. This body outlined a program of work which specifically included evangelism, ministerial education, and aid to needy churches. (4) The two earliest associations in America—the Philadelphia Association (1707) and the Charleston Association (1751)—reflected their concern for the welfare of the constituent churches in several ways. For example, they carefully guarded the independence and autonomy of the churches, and sent to them annual "circular letters" which contained encouragement and exhortations.

III. The philosophy of associational missions — the association exists for the benefit of the churches — is consistent with a fundamental missionary principle suggested by Isaiah. He says "...lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes" (Isaiah 54:2b). Isaiah's statement implies a principle to the effect that the effectiveness of the missionary outreach of any group is in direct proportion to the strength of that group. The longer the cords of outreach, the stronger must be the stakes at home. By the same token, the stronger the stakes at home, the longer can be the cords of outreach. The association exists to help the constituent churches strengthen their stakes in order that their outreach may be wider and more effective.

IV. The missionary principle suggested by Isaiah thus provides a sound basis for statements of purpose of associational missions. If Isaiah 54:2 applies to the work of God's people, and if the association exists for the benefit of the churches, it follows that the association must in every way aid the churches better to carry out the will of God for them. The responsibility of the association would therefore appear to be threefold: (1) The work of the association is to contribute vitally to the spiritual well-being and vitality of its constituent churches. (2) The associational program is to lead and help the churches

enlist every individual within the territorial confines of the association for whom those churches are responsible. (3) The association also functions to lead all constituent churches to participate actively in the total program of Southern Baptists to carry out the Great Commission.

V. The position of the association geographically and organizationally makes it the most logical entity for helping the local churches better do what they exist to do. (1) Its very closeness to the churches geographically makes possible channels of communication between existing needs in the territory and individuals who are most concerned about meeting those needs. It is the members of the constituent churches who are the personnel or fill administrative positions in the associational organization charged with the responsibility of meeting specific needs. (3) Administrative methods and personnel relationships are so structured as to make possible continual observation of work to be done, evaluation of results of united effort, and alteration of plans, programs, and procedures.

By way of conclusion, let it be said in the light of the foregoing facts that associational missions for present-day associations — regardless of cost in terms of human effort and material resources — is not optional but imperative.

## BAPTISTS— Their Institutions

By Dr. T. B. Maston  
Southwestern Seminary  
Fort Worth, Texas

What are Baptists doing to do about their institutions? Some of them are in serious financial trouble, far more serious than most Baptists realize. This would seem to be an appropriate time for a frank discussion of the problems, financial and otherwise, that Baptists face regarding their colleges, hospitals, children's homes, and other institutions.

### Introductory Statements

It is hoped that this article will in no way add to the burdens of institutional administrators, many of whom are under terrific pressure, a pressure that it seems will increase rather than decrease.

The viewpoint of the article is definitely not anti-institutional. Baptist institutions are a vital part of the total denominational program and some of them are doing a constructive and distinctly Christian work.

It seems evident, however, that Baptists in some states are over-institutionalized. Their state conventions own and operate more institutions than the people are supporting and possibly more than they can support adequately. In some states the institutions could absorb the total cooperative program income. To provide for them adequately would mean the neglect of every other aspect of the denominational program.

It possibly should be added

that institutions that are owned, controlled, and even inadequately supported by Baptists are justified only so far as they contribute to the life and work of the denomination and the cause of Christ at home and around the world.

### The Options

Even if every Baptist institution measured up fully to its responsibilities, the support in many and possibly most states would still be inadequate to maintain all of them. What are some possible ways out of the perplexities Baptists face regarding their institutions?

1. Some suggest that Baptists should permit their institutions to accept the government assistance that is available. They contend that this is the only way many of our institutions can survive. On the other hand, many Baptists would rather lose their institutions than keep them alive with government funds. They contend that in the long run Baptists, the Christian movement in general, and even the nation would lose more than would be gained if the institutions were preserved through assistance from the state.

There is no attempt here to evaluate the various assistance programs, some of which are more or less directed to the students and others where funds are made available for service rendered. There may be some difference of opinion among Baptists concerning these



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**THE YOUTH CHOIR** of First Church, Baker, Louisiana, will present a concert of sacred music Monday, May 31, at Morgan-town Church, where Frank Haygood is minister of music. Ken Miller, formerly of Yazoo City, First Church, is the director. The choir will be on a four-day tour of Louisiana and Mississippi. The public is invited.

programs but there should be no serious question about direct aid from the government for such matters as buildings and teaching. Really, the further our institutions can keep away from entanglement with the government, the better for them and ultimately for the nation itself.

2. Baptists may do nothing about their institutions, which means in many states that some of them will die a natural death. If this "do nothing" attitude prevails, it is possible that some institutions will die that would contribute much more to the work of God in the world than some other institutions that may be able to survive. The ability to survive is not a sufficient test of the value of an institution to the cause of Christ.

3. If Baptists will not or can not support adequately all their institutions, let them deliberately, consciously, and intelligently close some of those institutions and retain only what they can and will support. This will require courageous statesmanship by denominational leaders and others but it will pay rich dividends in the long run.

4. Baptists might wisely give up the control of some of their institutions, permitting them to become private or even public institutions. For example, it is doubtful if Baptists should seek to operate professional schools such as a school of medicine or law. There are increasing questions about many hospitals. In addition to professional schools, there are other educational institutions in some states that Baptists might wisely free from denominational control. Why should we continue to control institutions when we provide little of their financial support? It is really doubtful if an effective control of what they do can be maintained if we do not provide, directly or indirectly, most of their support.

**A Recommendation**  
There have been special studies in several states of the relation of Baptist institutions to varying types of government assistance. With one or two possible exceptions, there has not been a comparable study of the Baptist institutions themselves. Many state conventions should have a representative committee to study objectively the institutions supported by the state Baptist convention, and then on the basis of the study make recommendations concerning what ought to be done about the institutions. Such a study should include all institutions owned and supported by Baptists.

of the state. While the educational institutions, in the main, are the ones in the greatest immediate financial difficulty, the other institutions fostered by the conventions are a part of the total problem.

The committee should seek to determine the purposes or functions of denominational institutions. How should those institutions differ from comparable institutions that are not church related? What distinctive contributions should such institutions make to the churches, the denomination, the cause of Christ, and the world in general? The committee should also seek to evaluate our institutions in the light of their distinctive purposes or functions. What is the potential and what has been the real contribution of each institution?

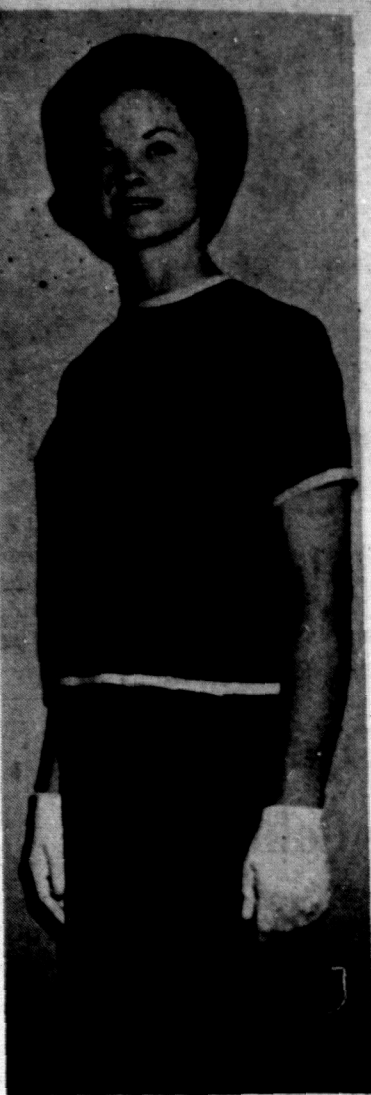
The need for the particular ministry of each institution should also be studied. It is possible that some institutions, like the mountain mission schools in the past, were needed when they were founded but are no longer needed because the state or society in general is now making adequate provision in the area.

A careful study by a committee might even reveal some neglected areas of service that Baptists might wisely enter.

In all cases, our primary concern should be the persons that can be reached and ministered to rather than the institutions that can be built and the programs that can be promoted. We should be far more concerned about our impact on the world than we are about our prestige in the world.

Whether or not the above represents a possible way out for Baptists and their institutions, let us at least acknowledge that the problem exists and let us talk more openly about it. This is the Baptist way and the wise way to arrive at a satisfactory solution for any problem.

According to an article in the *Catholic Digest*, if a boy under seventeen marries a girl under seventeen, they do not have one chance in a hundred of a successful marriage. When a boy and girl are both under eighteen, only fifteen out of a hundred such marriages have a chance for success. Such marriages are said to have failed, not because of infidelity, money, or drinking; the wives blamed family interference and mother-in-law trouble more than any other reason.



Shirley Upchurch

## Accepts Position At Holly Springs

Miss Shirley Upchurch will begin serving as minister of music and education of the Holly Springs, First Church June 8.

Miss Upchurch will graduate from Blue Mountain College, May 30, with a B. A. Degree, a major in psychology and a minor in music.

Miss Upchurch has been very active in school activities, serving as president of Senior Class, member of B. M. C. Trio, Octet, and Chorus. Elected "Most Charming" this year, she was recently made permanent class president for 1965 graduating class. For the past two years she has served as Choir Director of the Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain.

Miss Upchurch is the daughter of Mrs. S. W. Upchurch and the late Mr. S. W. Upchurch of Macon.

Rev. Earl Kelly is pastor of Holly Springs, First Church.

## Off The Record

A mother asked her six-year-old what loving-kindness meant. "Well," he said, "when I ask you for a piece of bread and butter and you give it to me, that's kindness, but when you put jam on it, that's loving kindness." —Lora Lee Parrott.

## My Neighbors



"When will I be strong enough to face the cashier here?"

An old Scotch woman said to her pastor, "That was a grand sermon that you preached last Sabbath at the Kirk!"

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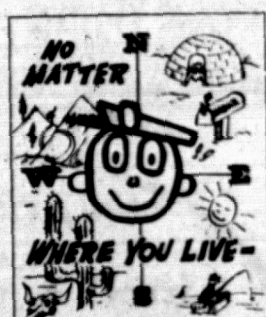
"Ah, meenister!" she replied. "I dinna ken the text or the words. But I came home and took the false bottom out o' my peck measure."

A mother took her son Charles shopping with her. In the store the grocer invited Charles to take a handful of cherries; but he seemed hesitant. "Don't you like cherries?" asked the grocer.

"Yes," replied the boy with zest.

The grocer put his hand in and pulled out a generous portion and dumped them in the little fellow's cap—which he promptly held out. Later his mother asked him why he had not taken the cherries himself, instead of waiting till the grocer gave them to him. "Because his hand is bigger'n mine," was his reply.

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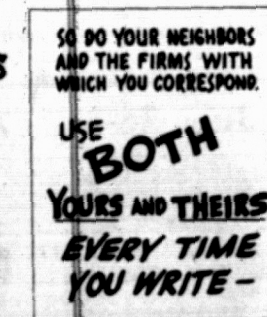
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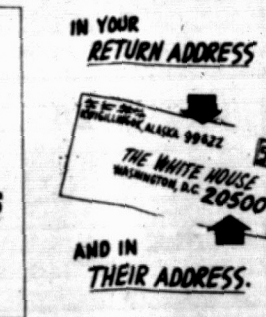
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THE MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY BAPTIST STUDENT UNION has recently elected new officers for the coming 1965-66 school year. Seated, left to right, are: Coby Byrne, BSU Director; Betty Carol Thompson, Meadowview Church Representative; Ed Hamilton, President; Rachel Barham, Emmanuel Church Representative; Anita Braddock, Secretary; and Garland Robertson, Vice President. Standing, left to right, are: Bob Barker, First Church Representative; Glen Nations, Stewardship Chairman; Barbara Kirkland, Promotional Chairman; Kay Shirley, Music Chairman; Gail Terrell, Social Chairman; Terry Longest, Student Center Chairman; and Joe Ray Underwood, Missions Chairman. Not pictured is James Hitt, Devotional Chairman.

## Foreign Mission Graded Series For Year 1965 To Feature Brazil

NASHVILLE—Brazil is the theme of the five books in the 1965 foreign mission graded series which Convention Press will release May 15 through Baptist book stores.

"Which way in Brazil?" by Lester C. Bell, the text for adults, is a story of the beginning and growth of Brazilian Baptist work—the individuals, the churches, the convention. Dr. Bell, a missionary to Brazil for 15 years, has been general secretary of the Brazilian Baptist Convention's executive committee for six years.

Young people will study "Sao Paulo Hears the Gospel" by Gene Wiese, missionary to Brazil for 15 years. A pioneer in the field of missionary journalism, he is director of the Brazil missions news agency. Wiese uses the evangelistic crusade in Sao Paulo and the surrounding area as an example of plans for simultaneous crusades throughout Brazil in 1965.

"Banner-Bearers" by Maxie C. Kirk leads intermediates down adventurous trails blazed by explorers or banner-bearers of the Christian

faith who established Baptist work in Brazil. Mrs. Kirk and her husband James, who is executive secretary of Bahia Baptist State Convention, had been missionaries to Brazil since 1947.

Juniors will use "A Boy Named Nelson" by Mary Hazel Moon, the story of a Brazilian boy (named for missionary Erik Nelson) who makes friends with a Catholic boy whom he eventually invites to church. Later Nelson expresses a desire to become a missionary. Mrs. Moon and her husband James Loyd, missionaries since 1951, live in Manaus, Brazil.

"Francisco's Happiest Day" by Sue P. Vernon is a 24-page picture story book for primaries which tells about an eight-year-old boy. Francisco's father promises to let him attend a Baptist mission school because of the kindness of a Baptist dentist. Appointed in 1946, Mrs. Vernon and her husband Vance

are missionaries in Belem, Brazil.

Teacher's guides have been prepared by these authors: adult, Clyde M. (Mrs. John) Maguire of Jacksonville, Fla.; young people, Sibyl Townsend (Mrs. C. C.) Warren of Charlotte; intermediate, Winnie R. (Mrs. J. Winston) Pearce of Tiburon, Calif.; junior, Dr. John T. Carter of Birmingham; and primary, Roberta (Mrs. Maynard) Hadley of Oklahoma City.

## Church Secretaries Conferences Set For Assemblies

NASHVILLE — Church secretaries will gather at Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist Assembly July 8-14, and at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly July 22-28 for conferences on improving secretarial skills.

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT

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## Program Personalities For

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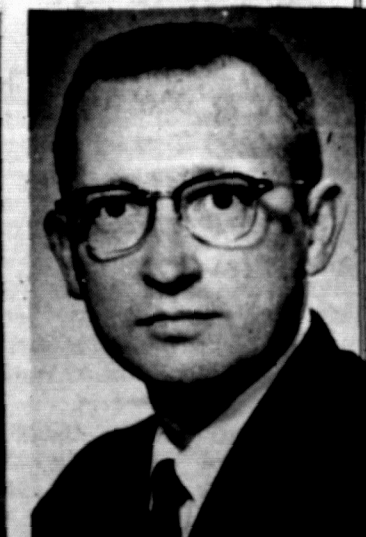
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William H. (Bill) Sellers  
Minister of Music  
Fifteenth Avenue Church  
Meridian  
(Teacher)

## Names In The News

Herman L. Mitchusson, 52, business manager of Wayland Baptist College since 1958 has been appointed assistant to the vice president and treasurer, and book store manager at Oklahoma Baptist University effective June 1.

Philip H. Briggs has been elected associate professor in the Department of Religious Education at Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. He comes to the seminary from Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, where he has been director of education and church administration (BP).

Miss Virginia Highfill, missionary, expects to leave Japan May 18 to come to the States for furlough. She may be addressed at 2901 Bon Air Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C., 27105. Born in Rockingham County, North Carolina, she grew up in Winston-Salem.

Rev. Homer P. McDonald of Lena, Miss., is available for pastoral work. He has had 24 years experience in the ministry, serving churches in several central Mississippi counties. He attended Clarke College. He can move to a church field immediately, and may be contacted at his home in Lena.

The 1965 Mississippi College yearbook, the Tribesman, has been dedicated to Mrs. P. I. Lipsey, Jr., long-time member of the college English faculty. Mrs. Lipsey was presented with an engraved copy of the 180-page yearbook by Editor Carolyn Van Devender of Jackson, during chapel services held recently at the college.

Miss Elizabeth Ann Johnson, Bible teacher in the public schools of Athens, Tenn., will be director of the children's building at Ridgecrest this summer. At Glorieta, the director will be Mrs. Carl A. Clark of Fort Worth, a writer of Primary Training Union curriculum materials.

Rev. and Mrs. Jesse D. Bryan, missionary appointees, sailed May 7 to begin their first term of service in Spain. They will study the language for the next year. They may be addressed, c/o Charles Whitten, Francisco de Goya 5, Madrid 16, Spain. Both are natives of Louisiana, he of Downsville and she, the former Beverly Bailey, of Hodge (she grew up in Simsboro).

Dr. John Roberts Jester, 89 year old former vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention died at 12:25 a. m., May 14, at Baptist Hospital, Columbia, S. C. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 17 from the Dunbar Funeral Chapel in Columbia, S. C. During his long and fruitful ministry Dr. Jester had served as pastor, denominational worker, college president, and evangelist. He had filled many places of responsibility on important state and SBC boards. Dr. Horace G. Hammett, gen. sec. treasurer of the S. C. Baptist Convention, expressed the deep feelings of Southern Baptists everywhere: "In the passing of Dr. Jester, a great servant of God has gone from among us. The area of his contribution to Baptist life are varied and numerous."

Sandra Mitchell, Blue Mountain, will be editor of the 1965-66 Mountaineer, yearbook of Blue Mountain College.

## Union (Walthall) To Celebrate Sesquicentennial

Union Church, Walthall Association, will observe its sesquicentennial on May 30. Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, will be the featured speaker.

In observance of the 150th anniversary, the congregation will hold morning and afternoon services and will serve lunch at the church.

All former pastors, members, and friends are invited, states Rev. Allan Sinclair, pastor.

## B. T. Bishop, Sr. To Retire

Rev. B. T. Bishop Sr., pastor of the Meadville Church for the last twenty years, has recently announced his intentions to retire from the ministry on August 31, 1965.

The church has selected the following members to serve on Pulpit Committee to name a successor: J. L. Coleman, R. G. Saxon, Leonard Cain, William A. Creink and Mrs. Herschel J. Price.



STANDING on the site of the proposed Baptist Student Center for Mississippi Delta Junior College are Ken Watkins of Clarksdale, BSU President, and Helen Smith, Moorhead, who will be a freshman at Mississippi Delta next year. The building in the background is the boys' dormitory.

## Baptist Student Center Planned For Delta Junior College

In early June the BSU Steering Committee of Mississippi Delta Junior College will start their campaign to raise money for the construction of a much needed Baptist Student Center. The architect has completed preliminary drawings for the proposed center, containing a chapel and activities area, lounge, director's office, council room, prayer room, and kitchen. The design allows expansion in the future. The building site is adjacent to the campus on a lot purchased by the Mississippi Baptist Convention for this purpose.

At the present the BSU is using facilities rented from the school, but because of the rapidly increasing enrollment they will not be available next year. According to William C. Marsalis, Public Relations Director for the school, Mississippi Delta Junior College is the second fastest growing college in the state, percentage-wise. Present figures indicate there will be approximately 500 Baptist students enrolled next year.

Rev. Granville Watson, pastor of Moorhead Church, is chairman of the BSU Steering Committee. Max Hodges of Indianola is Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Building Committee is composed of Rev. Dale Wilson of Anguilla, Chairman; S. N. Brown, Belzoni; R. L. Maxwell, Inverness; and ex-officio member, Rev. Joe Nanney, pastor of First Church, Itta Bena, secretary of the Steering Committee.

The BSU at Mississippi Delta has a long history, but the program received an added boost last February with the calling of Charles Lott, an alumnus of Louisiana Tech and Southwestern Seminary, as full-time director. Support for the program 15.

comes largely from the Baptist churches in the Mississippi Delta Junior College district, composed of Bolivar, Coahoma, Humphreys, Issaquena, Leflore, Sharkey, Sunflower, and Washington counties. Baptists in this same area will be asked to make contributions for building the Center.

## Mississippians To Assist In Montana Building

The Libby Baptist Church of Libby, Montana, broke ground for the first unit of their church on East Cedar Street, May 7, 1965, according to announcement by Pastor Bill Tidwell. It is expected that the first floor will be completed by June 1, 1965. At that time Rudolph C. Bonner, a building contractor from Meridian, Mississippi, will arrive with his wife and two children to supervise six college students that will be donating their services in helping to erect the building this summer.

Local church members will be providing living quarters and accommodations for these young men after they arrive early in June: James E. Hitt, State College, Mississippi; Terry Longest, State College, Mississippi; Tom Hird, Coronado, California, and two other men whose names have not been received at this time.

A busy summer is expected for all the workers, but weekend activities have been scheduled for fishing trips and outdoor excursions. If the building goes according to the planned schedule, it will be ready for the annual Vacation Bible School which will be held August 8 through August 15.

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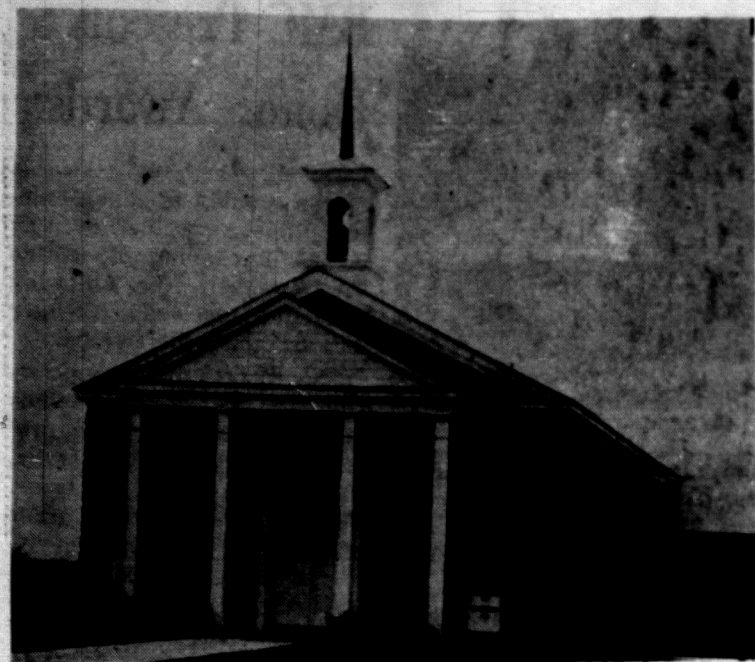
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## DUNCAN CHURCH TO DEDICATE DEBTFREE BUILDING, MAY 30

On its 52nd anniversary, May 30, Duncan Church will dedicate its entire building debtfree. Rev. Lewis Myers, missionary to Vietnam, will be guest speaker at the morning service. Mrs. Stanley Golub, Memphis, Tennessee, will sing.

Following lunch at the church, the dedication service will begin at 2 p. m. Rev. W. R. Swenson, pastor of the church during the construction of the building, will preach the dedication sermon.

Others on program are also former pastors. Rev. Jack Farmer will read the Scrip-

ture. Rev. John Jacobs will present special music, in addition to special music by the church choir.

A complete history of the church has been compiled by the Historical Committee, and will be available to anyone interested, states the present pastor, Rev. Odis W. Henderson.

Of the eleven charter members present on May 30, 1913, two still are living—Mrs. J. H. Boschert and Mrs. Van E. Lester, Sr. Both their families have maintained an active concern in the church since its birth.

## BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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## Leadership Conference

The Annual Brotherhood Leadership Conference will be held at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, August 20-21.

The Program will begin with the registration at 1 p. m. with the program proper beginning with the general assembly in the Auditorium at 2:15 p. m. Immediately following this general orientation period, conferences will be conducted for all Church

and Associational Brotherhood Leadership.

- Pastors with Brotherhoods
- Pastors without Brotherhoods but interested in organizing
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- Vice-Presidents and Secretaries
- Royal Ambassador Leaders
- Personal Stewardship
- Christian Witness Leaders
- World Missions Leaders
- Royal Ambassador Chapter Counselors and chapter officers

Registrations for this conference are already being made. We would suggest that pastors and associational missionaries (who are interested in improving the effectiveness of Brotherhood work) would urge all of their interested men to make plans to attend this conference beginning with the first session and staying through the last.

## Blue Mountain's 'Mr. Ab' Dies

Funeral services for Albert J. Guyton, Blue Mountain, age 70, (president of the Bank of Blue Mountain; outstanding insurance agent; longtime deacon of Lowrey Memorial Church; Chairman of Finance of the church; charter member of the Ripley Rotary Club; and financial counselor to hundreds of citizens of Tiptah and Benton Counties; were conducted Monday, May 17, at 4 p. m., from Lowrey Memorial Church.

Rev. Bill R. Peacock, local pastor, officiated, assisted by Dr. J. S. Riser, Jackson, former pastor of Lowrey Memorial Church, and Rev. J. N. Triplett, Newton, also a former pastor. Interment was in the Blue Mountain Cemetery.

Mr. Guyton was born near Blue Mountain, on November 26, 1885, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin Guyton, a pioneer couple of the Northeast Mississippi area.

Mr. Guyton was active in all civic organizations; gave financial counsel to hundreds of citizens; placed perfect confidence in young business men and their interest in establishing new business enterprises of Tiptah and Benton Counties; taught the Young Men's Bible Class of the local Baptist Church for more than ten years; was one of the most successful insurance agents of the state of Mississippi.

Mr. Guyton was a graduate of Mississippi Heights Academy; attended the University

## Sunday Reports

### Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance

MAY 23, 1965	
Aberdeen, First	403 89
Amory, First	435 102
Auburn	119 92
Bethel (Rankin)	78 34
Brandon, First	413 176
Brookhaven	714 159 2
Bruce	370 112
Buck Creek (Perry Co.)	39 36
Cleveland, Calvary	268 112 2
Clinton, Morrison Hgts.	398 188 1
Columbia, First	723 256 1
Columbus, Fairview	227 149 2
Crystal Springs, First	793 211
Highland	513 196
Greenville, Parkway	226 82 2
Emmanuel	227 106 4
Grenada	378 100
Gulfport, First	327 253 21
Handaborg	442 158 1
Hattiesburg:	
Ridgecrest	100 70
First	654 184
Main St.	926 302
Main	881 268
North Main	9 5
Wayside	35 29
38th Ave.	266 152
Houston, 1st	220 82
Main	299 115
Parkway	90 65
Iuka	294 115 1
Jackson:	
Van Winkle	616 254 12
Southside	331 146 2
Hill	362 120
Woodville Hgts.	311 113 2
Robinson St.	326 145
McLaurin Hgts.	291 180 2
Lakeview	547 149 2
Broadmoor	1343 453 3
First	1446 319 3
Elaine	220 82 6
McDowell Road	260 144
Daniel Memorial	879 223
Alta Woods	1176 414 8
Midway	290 83
Parkhill	169 122 2
Colonial Hgts.	295 71
Forest Hill	164 58
Ridgecrest	850 290 4
Magnolia Park	70 46
Parkway	1016 360
Briarwood	299 146
Crestwood	382 189
Oak Forest	547 149 2
Woodland Hills	804 258 2
Kosciusko, Parkway	202 49
Kosciusko, First	514 99
Main	300 81
Maple St.	14 18
Laurel:	
Second Ave.	445 111
Main	362
Mission	83
Trinity	163 76
Glade	211 129
Highland	410 126
Magnolia St.	487 173 2
First	526 149
Wildwood	300 117
Plainway	202 109
West Laurel	339 56
Leaksville, 1st	149 50
Lexington, 1st	206 67
Long Beach, 1st	510 121
Main	48 21
Mission	29 30
Louisville, East	137 88
Lyon	261 85
Soundaway	116 53
McComb, Locust St.	200 124
McComb, Navilla	217 113
McComb, South	205 65 4
Meridian:	
Collinsville	130 78 1
Hickory Grove Chapel	110 59
Calvary	308 161
Main	377 130
Fellow Survey Miss.	20 31
Pine Springs Miss.	19
State Boulevard	409 144
Russell	129 85 3
Eight Avenue	205
Poplar Springs Drive	499 147 1
Fifteenth Avenue	499 147 1
Westwood	220 82 2
Oakland Heights	150 51
Monticello	196 94 1
Morton, 1st	71 36
Mountain Creek	
(Rankin)	
New Albany:	
Northside	164 54
First	113 56 1
Onondaga, Carnation	173 56 1
Pascagoula, 1st	704 254 3
Main	373 161
G. C. Nursing Home	12
Martin Bluff	348 142
Pearl	373 105
Pelahatchie	363
Main	10
Memorial Drive	132 101
Petal, Crestview	113 57
Pocahontas	435 140
Pontotoc, 1st	164 121
Sandersville	265 109
Sardis (Panola)	923 351 2
Starkville	255 131
Raleigh, 1st	165 48
Rosedale, 1st	284 100
Ripley, 1st	66 37
Ruth	
Tupelo:	
First	495 150 2
Calvary	627 219 1
East Heights	381 138 1
Vicksburg, 1st	690 210
West Point, 1st	560 170
MAY 16, 1965	
Amory, 1st	430 118
Biloxi, Emmanuel	324 112 9
Brandon, 1st	472 145
Booneville, 1st	384 171
Main	324 112
Crestwood	69 89
Columbia, 1st	793 191
Columbia, 2nd	674 223
Clarkdale, Oakhurst	363 231
Collins	237 86
Cleveland, Calvary	296 114
Hattiesburg:	
University	173 76 3
First	600 214 1
Iuka	218 105
McComb, Locust St.	215 116

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON—

# Consequences Of Sin

By Clifton J. Allen  
2 Samuel 11-13

The life of David illustrates the strength and weakness of a great man. Though a man after God's heart, because the main thrust of his life was a desire to fulfill the will of God, David yet fell before severe temptation and because guilty of the grossest sins. Our largest Bible lesson is the account of David's spiritual downfall. After having become securely established in his kingdom, his relaxation seems to have opened the door for evil. Though David repented and God forgave, the consequences of sin began to work life. Nothing other than God's overruling grace could have recovered and preserved David for a larger fulfillment of the divine purpose.

"Be sure your sin will find you out." Why do persons ignore this? Why will they go on foolishly and wickedly pursuing evil and defying God's moral law? Every person is subject to temptation. The pleasures of sin are not worth the price of guilt, suffering, and weakness.

### The Lesson Explained

#### PARABLE OF INIQUITY (vv. 1-6)

The account of David's sin with Bathsheba, of his futile effort to cover up his sin, and of his heartless scheme to have Uriah killed is given in chapter 11. God's faithful prophet, Nathan, was now sent to David to declare to him his guilt for the awful deeds he had done and to tell him of the intense displeasure of the Lord because of those deeds. Nathan exhibited fearlessness and wisdom in his approach to the king. He used a simple story to illustrate what David had done. David somehow missed the point of the parable as it applied to himself. His heart burned with indignation that a rich man, who had all he could wish, should take a poor man's one little lamb; but David felt no sting of guilt for having taken Bathsheba and for having killed Uriah. David's reaction is typical of us all. We condemn the sins of others while being blind to our own.

#### INDICTMENT FROM THE LORD (vv. 7-10)

Nathan was God's spokesman to David. It was neces-

sary for him to declare God's indictment, "Thou art the man." The charge was straight from the Lord. Nathan was faithful to declare it. He did not try to tone down the degree of wickedness. He let the full force of God's accusation confront David. His ugly deeds were all the more wicked in the light of the way God had delivered him from the treachery of Saul. In keeping with David's cruelty, Nathan declared that the sword would not depart from David's family. The seed sown by David would bring forth adultery and murder among his own children.

### RESPONSE OF PENITENCE

The verses following our printed text tell something of David's response in penitence. Here we have a truer picture of David than in his terrible lapse into evil. He had been overtaken in a trespass, but this he was willing to acknowledge in genuine confession. His contrition shows his greatness. Because David humbly sought for pardon and restoration, God graciously forgave him. God's forgiveness, however, did not cancel out the consequences. As one sows, so he must reap. Nathan told David that the child born to Bathsheba would die. He also told him that he had given occasion to the enemies of God to blaspheme all that was holy and right. The years remaining for David would involve reaping something of the harvest of his wickedness. Divine mercy was the assurance of forgiveness, but divine wisdom and righteousness would require chastening and correction.

### Truths to Live By

God does not treat sin lightly.—Wrongdoing is not a trivial matter in the sight of God. Whether it be adultery, murder, drunkenness, or some wickedness looked on with approval by a morally corrupt society, God considers it a major offense. He looks upon every act of sin as rebellion, as something having in it fatal poison. An act of sin is so serious that it is a threat to the sovereignty of God. The sins of men are so serious that God marshalled every resource of his grace through the redemptive work of Christ to provide deliverance from this curse and

forgiveness for all who would repent.

Sin brings suffering to the innocent.—This is one of the ugliest and meanest aspects of sin. Members of one's family and friends will be innocent victims. Neighbors may be involved in the disgrace or the loss or the necessary judgment of God. Consider the suffering to innocent persons from a drunken driver's careless speed, or the spiritual loss to children from a worldly and negligent mother, or the blighted faith of a group of young people from some skeptical teacher who brazenly ridicules Christian convictions and Christian standards, or the strife to come to a community through some person propagating prejudice and hatred between races and stirring up suspicion, ill will, and violence. Consider the suffering inflicted on innocent people caused by one dealer in beverage alcohol or one politician's betrayal of trust or one dictator's lust for power. Little acts of sin start chainlike reactions which hurt and rob children or parents or neighbors or others for whom Christ gave his life.

### The noblest saint is subject to temptation.—This is one of the truths to be learned from David's fall into the clutches of evil. Satan is just as active now as when he captured David through the snare of lust. But the one to remember first is Jesus. Satan assaulted him again and again. But Jesus was without sin. He never relaxed to give Satan a chance. We cannot expect to escape temptation. Satan will do his utmost to overcome us at the weakest point. But we can overcome temptation in the strength of Christ and in response to his love and lordship. If we have failed and fallen—no matter how terrible our sin—the grace of God in Christ gives us hope.

He who rejoices in the fall of another thinks that by the fall of the other he himself has conversely risen; but not so, he who rejoices has, by that spirit, fallen even lower than the other.—C. Earl Cooper.



Rev. Paul Parker

## Fernwood Calls Arm Pastor

Rev. Paul Parker, pastor of the Arm Church, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Fernwood Church, at Fernwood.

Mr. Parker states, "in our years of ministry we have never worked with a finer group of people than the people of Arm. We have received full cooperation in the program of the work of the Lord. I do not believe anyone could find a finer place to live and work than here."

Rev. and Mrs. Parker have three sons, Michael, David, and Stephen. They will be moving to their new work on the first of June.



KENNETH MILES, ministerial student at Clarke College, will serve as youth director and assistant to the pastor at East Heights Church, Tupelo, during the summer. A native of Tupelo, he will be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Miles, while serving the church from June through August.

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**Rev. Harold P. Reeves**, missionary to Thailand, will preach on "The Baptist Hour," for six weeks, July 11. Reeves, now on furlough, is a native of Shreveport. Sermon topics are: "A New Thrust In World Missions," June 6; "Forgiveness," June 13; "The Movement To Be-friend Mankind," June 20; "Sour Grapes," June 27; "The Triumphant Life," July 4; and "No Optical Illusions," July 11. It was through Reeves efforts that Baptists in Thailand began Christian radio programs over the Thai National Broadcasting System.



Don Stewart

### Earns T.H.D.

William Carey College Dean of Men and Bible Professor Don Herbert Stewart will receive the Doctor of Theology degree in commencement exercises at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary on May 28. His major area of study is New Testament. He holds the B. A. degree from William Carey College and the B. D. Degree from New Orleans Seminary.

### Gulf Gardens Calls Pastor

Rev. James A. Smith has resigned the pastorate of New Chapel Church, West Monroe, Louisiana, to accept the pastorate of the Gulf Gardens Church, Gulfport, effective June 1.

Under Mr. Smith's leadership, the Chapel Hill Church during the past three and one-half years received 125 new members. The church added rooms to the pastorage, and completely renovated the old educational wing. The number enrolled in WMS and its auxiliaries more than doubled.

Mr. Smith is a graduate of Mississippi College and Southern Seminary. He was formerly pastor in Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee, Colorado, and California. At West Monroe, he was chairman of the Trenton Baptist Pastors' Conference and vice moderator of the Trenton Baptist Association.

Mrs. Smith is the daughter of the late Dr. M. O. Patterson, who until his death was head of the Mississippi College Bible Department. The Smiths have three children, a daughter, Jeanne Lin (a junior at Mississippi College), and two sons, James Patterson and Benjamin Phillips.



Rev. James A. Smith

The just man falls and rises and falls and rises again. Not so the unjust man: he has fallen, but he does not rise.—C. Earl Cooper.

## DEVOTIONAL—

### Joy In Heaven

By Rev. James A. Hurt, Pastor, Immanuel, Cleveland  
The fifteenth chapter of Luke begins with the simple statement, "Then drew near unto Him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him." To the Pharisees and scribes, such conduct was unpardonable, and they gave expression to their disapproval and disgust in the loud and scornful murmur, "This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them."

Such was the settings for three of Christ's most memorable parables . . . the Lost Sheep, the Lost Coin, and the Lost Man. These three parables have been providentially grouped as one continuous discourse of the Master. They are, as Dr. George Buttrick indicates, a true trinity. They reiterate and re-emphasize the one truth of how God yearns for and seeks after His lost children.

But the message of these parables is tied up with the word "One". And, what is the significance of this word? It reveals the value of each individual life in the sight of God. Every person is important to God. By His Cross He has set on each the seal of preciousness. "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth . . ." (John 3:16).

What I am saying is that God loves you. It was for you that He died. Yes, you were meant to be a child of God. You are meant to be a Christian witness. "There shall be joy in heaven over one sinner . . ." (Luke 15:7a)

Then, too, God's love is for all people. All people are precious to God. God's concern for all mankind must be the foundation for our attitudes and conduct.

God may be seeking a lost sheep through you. Have you talked to anyone about his relationship to God?

Many years ago a college student committed his life to the service of God and his fellowmen through the Gospel ministry. Now there came to this college town each year an old scissor grinder—a mean, godless man. He parked his wagon on the edge of the campus and stayed as long as the housewives of the community had knives and scissors to sharpen. One night while the old man was in the community, this young student got up from his desk, went down the hall and out over the campus to the shadow of the campfire. He sat down and talked to the old scissor grinder. I do not know what the student said. The next morning the old man and his wagon were gone. The college student never saw him again, but years later he heard a story . . . a story about a prayer meeting in a small church up in the mountains. An old man, a scissor grinder, got up and told how a college student came to him one night with a Bible and told him about God's love for him. "I don't know who that boy was," said the old man, "but I do know this . . . that some day I'll see that young man in heaven."

I do not know what you think about a story like this, but let me ask you a personal question. Is anyone looking forward to seeing you in heaven?

### BAPTIST STUDENTS MEET IN BRITAIN FOR CONFERENCE

More than 120 students from 22 universities and colleges attended the spring conference of the British Baptist Student Fellowship at High Leigh, Hoddesdon.

"The God Who Acts" was the theme of three lecturers during the conference by Dr. D. S. Russell, co-principal of Northern Baptist College in Manchester. Dr. Howard Williams, vice president of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, spoke on "The Chosen People."

Baptist Union general secretary Dr. Ernest Payne addressed the conference, as did missionaries S. Mudd of East Pakistan and the Rev. Ian Secrett of Congo. (EBSF)

### Walcott to Address Youth Conference

NASHVILLE — Gregory Walcott, second vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention will be a featured speaker at the Southern Baptist Youth Conference June 10-16 at Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Assembly.

Walcott, a television and motion picture actor who resides in Canoga Park, Calif., will speak at the final session June 16, which will be a joint assembly for Young People and Intermediates.

The conference, planned for noncollege youth 15-24, will feature separate programs for Intermediates and Young People, except for the beginning and closing sessions.

A lay-preacher, Walcott has been the speaker for numerous revival meetings, state conventions, conferences, youth rallies, civic clubs and colleges. He participated in the Japan New Life Movement of 1963.

As executive producer of Logos Motion Pictures, Inc., Walcott is presently involved in production plans for the filming of "Bill Wallace of China," the first Broadman Press book to become the subject of a commercial motion picture in color.

### Moselle Pastor's 14th Anniversary

Rev. H. L. Davis celebrated, on May 22, his 14th anniversary as pastor of Moselle Memorial Church at Moselle. He and his wife and son, Glenn, moved to the Jones County church from Juniper Grove Church on May 22, 1961.

The following have been added to Moselle Church under Mr. Davis' leadership: a new pastorage; two new educational building units, with four assembly rooms; an electronic organ and tone cabinet, central air and heating system, new pulpit and choir furniture and new choir loft, 164 members by letter and baptism.

The sanctuary has been renovated. Total receipts in 1961 were \$6,110, and in 1964 were \$12,804.

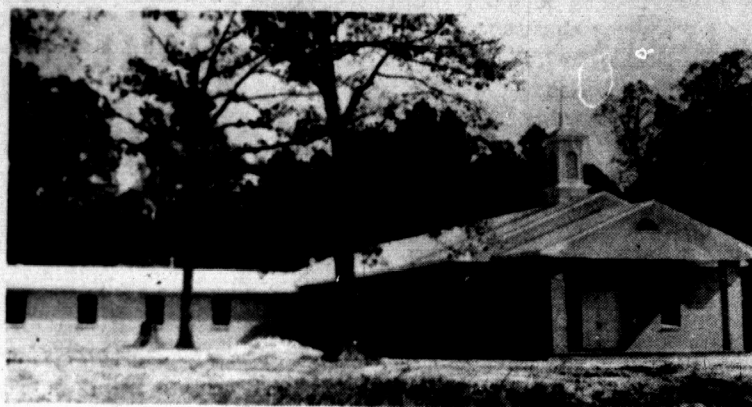
### Churches In The News

Williamsville Church of Atlanta Association will observe a combination Homecoming and Groundbreaking service on Sunday, May 30. Dinner on the ground will follow the morning worship service with the Groundbreaking service for the Educational Building to follow in the afternoon. Rev. Howard Scarborough is pastor.

Pleasant Grove Church (West), at Vossburg, has adopted a resolution expressing approval of the Mississippi Baptist colleges "that have refused to surrender to those who would purchase their birthright with a bowl of pottage," and to the trustees "who had the courage to say, 'No.'" The church pledges to support the colleges with their "prayers, money, and young people."

On May 15, the Copiah Association Girls Auxiliary held its annual spring retreat at Lake Chautauqua in Crystal Springs. Over ninety girls from seven churches attended. Churches represented were County Line; Gatesville; First, Crystal Springs; Highland, Crystal Springs; First, Hazlehurst; Harmony; and Sylavarena. Mrs. W. M. Flowers, Jr., Association Director, taught "When You Pray," a study book on prayer. A picnic lunch together rounded out the day's activities.

Heuck's Retreat Church, Lincoln County, announces that May 30 is Homecoming Day. A brief memorial service will be held following Pastor R. A. Coulter's morning message. At the afternoon service, L. A. Blackwell will speak, and Joe Gardner will provide special music. Lunch will be served in Fellowship Hall. The Homecoming Publicity Committee states, "In the afternoon we are giving special recognition to the classes of 1905, 1915, 1925, 1935, 1945, and 1965, with a response from a member of each of these classes. The offering for the day will be used for the upkeep of the cemetery."



**NEW BUILDING** — Ephesus Church, Scott County, has completed a new auditorium and educational building, with central heating and air-conditioning. The church, located on Route 1, Forest, will observe Homecoming Day on May 30, with all-day services, and dinner, at the church. Rev. I. L. Hill, Holly Bluff, will be guest speaker at the morning service; Rev. Kenneth Jones, Calvary, Vicksburg, will speak in the afternoon. Both are former pastors at Ephesus. Rev. Albert H. (Hack) McMullen is pastor now.

### Buice Enters Evangelistic Music Field

Jack Buice, former Mississippian, and well known over the state, has resigned as Minister of Music of First Baptist Church, New Orleans, to become a full-time "Music Evangelist."

Mr. Buice will make his home and headquarters at 473 Bridlewood Circle, Decatur, Georgia, but is open for revivals all over the nation.

This outstanding young music leader and soloist served for several years as Minister of Music of First Church, Oxford. He also has served Travis Avenue Church, Fort Worth, Texas, and First Church, New Orleans. He has worked in revival meetings with a number of outstanding Southern Baptist pastors and evangelists. He has made one recording "His Way — Mine" issued by Colford Records of Memphis.

In his Mississippi service Mr. Buice directed music for B. S. U., Sunday School and Training Union conventions, and led music at a State Youth Rally in connection with the state convention.

Mr. Buice is a native of Atlanta, Ga., and a graduate of New Orleans Seminary. He is married and has two daughters.

### SEMINARY LUNCHEONS

New Orleans

Alumni of New Orleans Seminary will meet for the annual Alumni Breakfast, June 3, during the Southern Baptist Convention gathering in Dallas, Texas, announced Mississippi alumni president J. C. Renfro, Jackson.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 a.m. in Baker Hotel.

Mr. Renfro urged the more than 670 New Orleans alumni in Mississippi to secure tickets now from the Alumni Office, New Orleans Seminary, 3939 Gentilly Boulevard, New Orleans 70126, at \$2.00 apiece.

Southwestern

**FORT WORTH, Texas (SWBTS)**—The annual luncheon for friends and former students of Southwestern Seminary has been moved from the Baker Hotel to the South Exhibit Hall, Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

Scheduled immediately following the morning session of the Southern Baptist Convention on Wednesday, June 2, the luncheon will be catered by Walter Jetton. A deacon at Travis Avenue Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Jetton has received international publicity in staging President Johnson's barbecues.

Tickets will be available at the seminary booth in the exhibit area during the convention.

### BMC Presents Honor Awards

During the 1965 Awards Day Assembly at Blue Mountain College presided over by J. E. Buchanan, Executive Vice-President, the following students received honor awards and scholarships.

The B. G. Lowrey Scholarship and the Bess Hutchins Spanish Award were presented to Sylvia Thornberry, Vienna, Va.; the Endowed Therese Leggett Garner Scholarship, Patsy Henry, Memphis; the Miriam Puckett Memorial Scholarship, Anne Hopkins, Kossuth; the Nettie Courtney Paris Award, the recipient annually selected by vote of the faculty, Susan Wofford, Drew; the Florence Connally Tyler Award, the recipient annually chosen by vote of the student body, Gwen Howell, Pontotoc.

The Purser Speech, Medal, Harriett Wilson, Savannah, Ga.; the Linda Berry Music Award, Gail Heitman, Lawton, Okla.; the James T. Henson, Scholarship, Martha Gray, Coffeeville; the Wood-Clark Wells Art Award, Mary Catherine Aston, Blue Mountain; the Lina Hardin Guyton Scholarship for a ministerial student, the Rev. David Poe, Myrtle; the Kirk Creative Writing Award and Medal, Jeri McCraw, Tupelo.

The W. B. McKinstry Scholarship for a ministerial student, Rev. Don Miller, Amory; the Nancy Elizabeth Farmer Memorial Scholarship, Noveta Smith, Pensacola, Fla.; the Rosa May Kennedy Music Award, Peggy Carson, St. Petersburg, Fla.; the Bessie McAlister Scholarship, Hazel Tucker, Jackson; the Gladys Stokes Memorial Scholarship, Vivian Ridley, Clio, Michigan; the Joyce Elaine Campbell Memorial Award and Bible, Lena Sprouse, Dunmore, W. Va.; chosen by the faculty and staff; and the Ray-McKinstry Scholarship, Diane Price, Indianola.

Envy of wicked men is to be condemned; emulation of good men is to be admired.—C. Earl Cooper.

### REVIVAL RESULTS

**Tinsley Church (Yazoo):** April 25 - May 2; youth - led revival in connection with youth week; Rev. Perry Thacker, junior at Mississippi College, evangelist; Rev. Charles E. Davis, pastor; 7 professions of faith; one addition by letter; eight rededications.

**GLADE CHURCH, Laurel:** May 5-14; Dr. Robert L. Hughes, Immanuel Church, Natchez, evangelist; Roddy Simmons, Minister of Music at Calvary Church, Columbia, singer; Rev. Glen T. Williams, pastor; 17 Additions; 13 for baptism; 4 by letter; 1 other profession of faith not for baptism; 23 rededications; 1 surrendering to full time Christian service; 1 committing to tithe.

### 300 Graduate From Three Seminaries

By the Baptist Press  
Nearly 300 students received certificates or degrees when the three youngest Southern Baptist Convention seminaries held their 1965 spring graduation exercises.

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C. handed out 192 certificates in theology, 142 Bachelor of Divinity Degrees and 12 Master of Theology Degrees.

In Mill Valley, Calif., Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary had a graduating group of 77. One each received Bachelor of Church Music and Master of Church Music Degrees. Twenty-three more received Master of Religious Education Degrees. The Bachelor of Divinity Degree went to 44 students and the Master of Theology Degree to eight.

Ralph A. Phelps, president, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Ark., spoke to the 44 graduates of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Music and Master of Kansas City, Mo. all 44 got the Bachelor of Divinity Degree.

### Superintendents' Package Available

NASHVILLE — The first Sunday School superintendent's package, designed expressly for Sunday School general officers, will be available June 15 at Baptist book stores.

This package from Broadman supplies, containing 46 separate items, will be the major resource for directors of Sunday School leadership preparation week, Sept. 20-24, and for general officers planning the Sunday School program for the entire year.

The 24-page booklet "Teaching Guide for Sunday School Leadership Preparation Week, 1965" is available only in the package.

They have one son, James Dewey.

Upon arrival at the Bethel pastorage the pastor and family were honored with a pantry shower.

On Saturday night, May 8, Bethel Church honored Rev. Lee Ferrell, their interim pastor, and Meadows with a fellowship supper. Mr. Ferrell was presented a token of the church's appreciation of his service to them.

Mr. Meadows will graduate from Mississippi College with the Bachelor of Arts degree on May 30.



**STURGIS CHURCH** recently observed "Uncle Boone Day" in honor of Daniel Boone Jackson. Ninety-two last month, he is the oldest resident member of the church. He has nine children, 28 grandchildren, 60 great-grandchildren, and five great-great-grandchildren, many of whom were present. Rev. John Ed Snell, pastor, is pictured presenting a new Bible to Mr. Jackson.



Rev. George E. Meadows

### Bethel (Copiah) Calls Pastor

Rev. George E. Meadows has resigned the Concord Church of Pelahatchie to accept the pastorate of the Bethel Church of Hazlehurst.

While he was pastor at Concord, the church erected a complete new building and equipped it. Sixteen new members were added, eight by baptism. The pastor's annual salary was increased six hundred dollars.

His former pastorates include New Hope (Simpson) and Harmony (Lincoln). He is a native of Simpson County and is married to the former Betty Sue Thompson.